Hope Is Alight

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Lay down your swords
And brandish your pens
To write a peace treaty
We can all make amends

Against challenge
We will always prevail
For our mothers
Our fathers
We will not fail

We might lose
We might win
But we will not fail
We are American

We will celebrate
Diversity
Our melting pot
And community

Everyone
In the world
Is one
In a million
But together
United
As strong
As a billion

The glowing sun
Hope is alight
Catching fire
We are sparks
Standing up for what is right

Light a candle
Nurture the flame
Illuminate a cave
With hope’s name
Pandora’s box
Still has hope
So do we
We can burn through the smoke

We
together
are stronger
than hate
Disease
Discrimination
Desolation
Is not
Our fate

Brothers
Sisters
Spread out
Across the world
Come
Unite
We are
The light

In the dwindling flames
That are sputtering out
We must start a fire
So scream and shout
About love
About peace
And hope

Come join me
By my fire
In the darkest of night
Child
Do not fear
For hope is alight