

# So Long, Democracy!

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It hap-pened to us in Ju - ly, Two Thou-sand Twen - ty Four. De -  
Oh, once we were a na - tion proud, with he - ri - tage so strong, with  
The ty - rant ri - ses high. His an - i - mos - i - ty he whets. He  
So now, my friend, be sure to watch out; a new age has dawned. De -

4 C Dm

mo - cra - cy. it died that day, and law would rule no more. The  
a tra - di - tion of re - spect for law held for so long. Our  
sends his forc - es in so they will car - ry out his threats. "As -  
mo - cra - cy is dead now, and the rule of law is gone. No

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high - est court with hu - bris is - sued its de - cree so raw: The  
lead - ers we did keep in check and hold ac - count - a - ble, un -  
sas - si - nate my ri - val. From the out - come I'm im - mune. A  
more you can trust our great lead - er or - der to up - hold. A

8 C Am

pre - si - dent would be a king and sit a - bove the law! No  
 til the check on ty - ran - ny six jud - ges then did pull. No  
 mi - li - ta - ry coup I'll lead. Oh, what a won - drous boon! Go  
 re - ci - pe new for au - to - cra - cy he has been doled. Now

10 Dm

need to do what's right and stay with - in his po - wers dealt. No,  
 more will our great na - tion's lead - er be held to ac - count for  
 round up all my en - e - mies and throw them all in jail. Just  
 you can live in fear to wond - der what may be in store, now

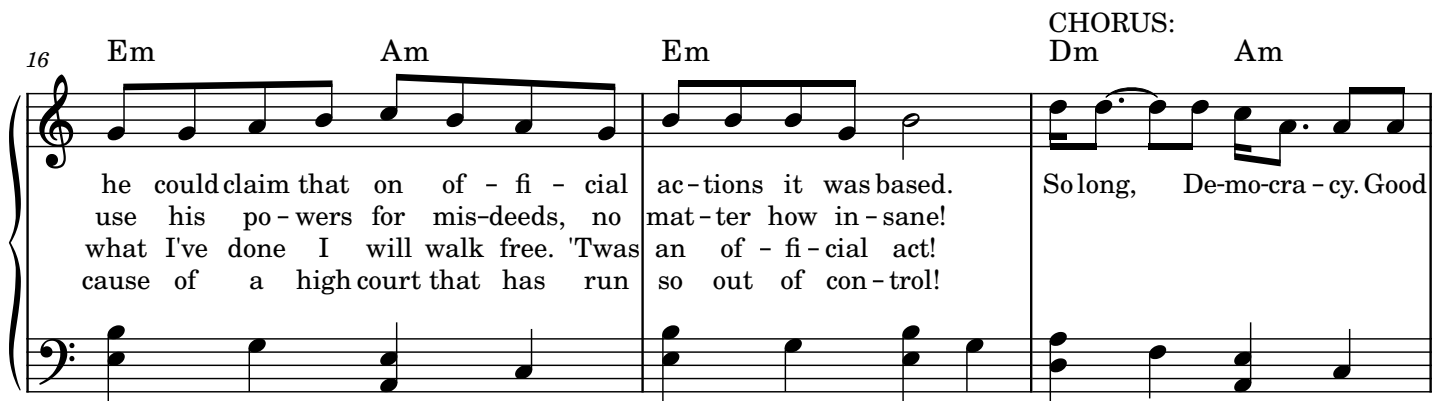
12 C Dm

what - e - ver he did, the force of law would not be felt. No  
 what - e - ver the vil - lain - y he should de - cide to mount. Yes,  
 try to stop me if you wish, 'twill be to no a - vail. No,  
 that with great im - pu - ni - ty our laws he can ig - nore. Go

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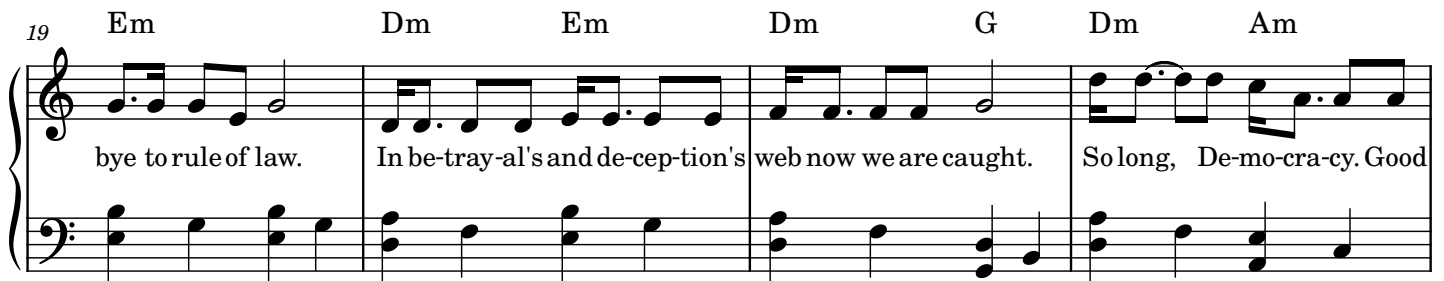
crime could he com - mit that would cause him to jus - tice face. No,  
 from now on our lea - der, king, will be gi - ven free reign to  
 you can't do a damned thing, be - cause it is now a fact; for  
 weep and wail; au - to - cra - cy has claimed our na - tion's soul, be -

16      Em                      Am                      Em                      CHORUS:  
Dm                      Am



he could claim that on of - fi - cial ac - tions it was based.  
use his po - wers for mis - deeds, no mat - ter how in - sane!  
what I've done I will walk free. 'Twas an of - fi - cial act!  
cause of a high court that has run so out of con - trol!  
So long, De - mo - cra - cy. Good

19      Em                      Dm                      Em                      Dm                      G                      Dm                      Am



bye to rule of law. In be - tray - al's and de - cep - tion's web now we are caught.  
So long, De - mo - cra - cy. Good

23      Em                      Dm                      Em                      Am



bye to rule of law. Our coun - try proud and migh - ty falls down to the shy - ster's plot!