

# Shoulda Known Better

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A baby girl without a home  
Tragedy's reign left her alone  
I guess I shoulda known better  
But she's a citizen of the world  
A right to life her cry's unheard  
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Why why why why

Part of the revolution  
Ready for real solutions  
We won't accept excuses  
We tolerate no abuses  
Cause I don't want my face to be  
That poster child for being naive  
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Headlines are real or just the news  
Between the lines there's human truth  
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Each day I'm faced with irony but  
Just can't feel casual about casualties no  
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It's never the critic that counts  
Cause critics only wanna talk  
While enlightened minds and open hearts  
Together make this world a better place

Awakening a better choice  
It only starts if you lift your voice  
And say I shoulda known better  
And so next time I'll know better  
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I had this great epiphany  
And rhythm nation was the dream  
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