## I Ain't Gone Under Yet

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I'm just another voice from the street And since it's my choice, I feel that I must speak Now I know that you won't listen to little me But I can't rest unless I get this off my chest, see

The city's my home the streets where I roam But still I leave the drugs and violence alone

And so I try to stay in the right frame of mind Although I know some people who might say that I'm Crazy and lazy for not breakin' out But the city has soul and that's what I'm about

I have an appetite that must be fed No longer blind and being led The kind of freedom that you can buy My bank won't lend me yet

But still I get by and even smile So don't judge me by the color of my skin My blood runs as deep as yours runs red So you can see it, it ain't over yet Which takes me out of the rap

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See bodies with souls lying in the street No one wants to live with nothing to eat But to climb over livin' people and feel That they brought it on themselves 'cause they lazy Or would rather steal is a mystery

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Your under is my over I've never seen your over yet But don't forget I ain't gone under yet I ain't gone under yet I ain't gone under yet I ain't gone under yet

I don't steal, I don't run tricks or scams 'Cause I'm a strong young woman, yes, I know who I am But sometimes it's so hard to get by And touch circumstances make me want to get high But I don't go too far 'cause that ain't my style So why don't you come live next to me for a while