Lou Reed, Down At The Arcade

Down at the arcade the defender is there Down off of Broadway he's there playing his games It's very dangerous putting money down on Robotron Oh, I'm the Great Defender And I really know just how to get along

Down at the arcade Oh, I'm the Great Defender And I really think I've got it made

A fistful of quarters, a fifty dollar stake Life is a gamble on Videotape I called a disc jockey to dedicate a song to Blair It's the 'Four Tops' singing 'I'll be there'

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The president called to give me the news I've been awarded the Nobel Price in rhythm and blues And Stevie Wonder wants to record one of my songs Oh, I'm the Great Defender And I really know just how to get along

Oh, I'm the Great Defender, listen to my song I really hope you like it, it isn't very long It's rooted in the fifties but its heart's in 1984 And if you really like it
Then I sing it for you once more

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