

Lou Reed, The Great Defender

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

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A fistful of quarters, a fifty dollar stake
Life is a gamble on video tape
I called a disc jockey
To dedicate a song to Blair
It's the temps. singing "I'll be there";

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The president called to give me the news
I've been awarded the Nobel Prize in rhythm and blues
And Stevie Wonder
Wants to record one of my songs
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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 50s
But its heart's in 1984
And if you really like it
Then I sing it for you once more

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