Jimmy Buffett, Prince Of Tides

African drums are silent and the Wingos are poets at last Out on Dafuskie Island, the bulldozers bury the past And the low country sinks, she cannot swim the dogwood feels the hurt While the foursome plays on borrowed days in their alligator shirts

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One night they put a price on the sunset and that got the whole earth shakin' Those rose from the grave both the weak and the brave 'cause history was there for the makin' And the winos surrounded the condos forming a frail human fence And they shouted out loud to the roar of the crowd "Same old story, more dollars than sense"

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