Mary Chapin Carpenter, House Of Cards

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I grew up in a house like this, we knew the groan of every stair All the walls seemed to listen in, all the years seemed to take up air When you dreamed it was of the wind blowing cold and hard In those dreams you thought you lived in a house of cards

I grew up in a town like this, we knew the names of every street On the surface it looked so safe, but it was perilous underneath That's the place you shoved your doubts and hid your ugly scars God forbid if word got out about your house of cards

And now I feel the wind about to blow, and baby I'm so scared You're repeating the past instead of letting it go And I don't wanna go back there

Now we're standing here face to face, afraid to move or else I wanna prop up this fragile place, I can't do it all by myself 'Cause when we dream, it's of the wind, blowing cold and hard When we wake up we still live in a house of cards

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