

**Poem Buried within a Time Capsule  
to Be Unearthed Spring 2097**

Citizens, what did you find  
when awakened this morning?

Your sky as blue as ours,  
a few sparrows rustling  
among lime-green leaves  
of April maples?

All people fed  
and housed and free?

This would be the great blessing—  
though a still greater surprise.

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