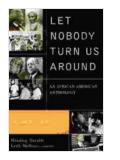
### Let Nobody Turn Us Around: A Timeless Anthem of Resilience and Empowerment



#### Let Nobody Turn Us Around: An African American

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In the face of adversity and oppression, music has always served as a powerful tool for resistance and social change. One such anthem that has resonated for generations is "Let Nobody Turn Us Around," a civil rights song that has become a timeless symbol of resilience and empowerment.

#### **Origins and Inspiration**

"Let Nobody Turn Us Around" was written in 1963 by Bernice Johnson Reagon, a singer, songwriter, and activist. Reagon was inspired by the struggles of the Civil Rights Movement, particularly the sit-ins and protests taking place across the Southern United States. She witnessed firsthand the courage and determination of activists who faced violence and discrimination, and she wanted to create a song that would uplift and motivate them.

### Lyrics and Meaning

The lyrics of "Let Nobody Turn Us Around" are simple and direct, yet they convey a profound message of perseverance and hope. The song begins with a call to action:

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# *"We're gonna keep on walking We're gonna keep on talking Until victory is won "*

These lines capture the spirit of the Civil Rights Movement, as activists refused to be silenced or turned back. The chorus reinforces this determination:

## "

# *"Let nobody turn us around Let nobody turn us around Let nobody turn us around We're gonna keep on walking "*

The song also acknowledges the challenges faced by the activists, such as fear and doubt. However, it encourages them to overcome these obstacles and continue fighting for their cause:

### "

# *" Don't get weary Don't get scared Keep your eyes on the prize Hold on "*

#### Impact and Legacy

"Let Nobody Turn Us Around" quickly became a staple of the Civil Rights Movement and has continued to inspire social justice activists around the world. It has been performed at protests, rallies, and other events, and has been recorded by numerous artists, including Pete Seeger, Harry Belafonte, and Joan Baez.

The song's message of resilience and empowerment has resonated with people beyond the Civil Rights Movement. It has been used to fight against racism, sexism, homophobia, and other forms of oppression. It has also been a source of inspiration for those facing personal challenges, such as illness or adversity.

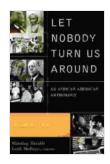
#### A Symbol of Hope and Determination

"Let Nobody Turn Us Around" is more than just a song; it is a symbol of hope and determination in the face of adversity. It is a reminder that even in the darkest of times, we can find strength within ourselves and each other. The song continues to inspire and motivate people today, and it will undoubtedly continue to do so for generations to come.

"Let Nobody Turn Us Around" is a timeless anthem that captures the spirit of resilience and empowerment. Its lyrics convey a message of hope, determination, and perseverance, inspiring people to overcome challenges and fight for a just and equal world. The song has had a profound impact on social justice movements around the world, and it continues to be a source of strength and inspiration today.



Civil rights activists singing "Let Nobody Turn Us Around" at a protest in the 1960s

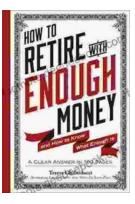


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