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## Chorus Easily Hummed

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## CHORUS EASILY HUMMED

The cornfields rise  
like a sloping sea floor.

There's enough sky  
to exceed the late morning.

There's farms,  
but no farmers.

It's seven turns  
over two hours

until the children's  
hospital, where you

announce our arrival  
in the city of towers!

full of potions, and  
needles we call swords.

After each visit, we exit  
the parking garage

into a kingdom  
of endangered prairie

whose only protector  
is its destroyer. In the dark,

there's nothing to see,  
but you look out the window

and tell me you see birds,  
hear a song that goes like