

Better Than Chocolate

(SHERANA)

JUDY

Hi, I'm Judy. Is Maggie home?

LILA

Oh, gee, she's not, you know. She and Kim went out again.

JUDY

Oh... I brought her these as a housewarming gift. Well, for all of you, really.

LILA

Well, how lovely. I'm Lila. I'm Maggie's mother.

JUDY

Nice to meet you.

LILA

And you're...?

JUDY

Judy. Maggie's friend Judy. Just think of me as the welcome wagon.

LILA

Well, welcome. Would you like to come in?

JUDY

Yes, thank you. And here... and here.

LILA

Lovely, thank you.

JUDY

And cheers.

LILA

Cheers.

JUDY

Welcome.

LILA

You know, I just love that shirt.

JUDY

Thank you. I do my best with my limitations. It's so hard to find nice things to wear when you're my size.

LILA

Oh, you should be proud of your size. So strong and so striking.

JUDY

I think the word you're looking for is "enormous."

LILA

Exotic.

JUDY

Thank you.

LILA

You know, I just wish Maggie had some of your sense of style.

JUDY

Oh no, Lila. Maggie's... Maggie's lovely. She's very clever, you know.

LILA

Yes. Yes, she is. But what is going on with her these days?

JUDY

You'd have to ask her that, Lila.

LILA

So, there is something going on?

JUDY

Oh, well, she's nineteen. There's always something going on when you're nineteen. More wine?

LILA

Did you ever wake up one morning... and feel that everything in your life was wrong?

JUDY

Hmmm...

LILA

Because I woke up one morning last month and... and I know this sounds silly because, you know, housewives, excuse me, "homemakers," as we're now called, aren't supposed to have existential crises.

JUDY

I think homemakers have existential crises all the time.

LILA

Well, I found out that my husband had been having an affair.

JUDY

Oh.

LILA

And it had been going on for more than a year.

JUDY

A year. That's a long time.

LILA

I had the choice right then to either carry on or break it off. Oh, my goodness, you're easy to talk to.

JUDY

Here's to strong women.

LILA

To strong women.