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Commissioned for the 2012-2013 Cantus High School Residency Program.
Dedicated to the choirs of Braham Area, Chanhassen, and Southwest High Schools.

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Steady, with pent-up energy throughout
(♩ = ca. 68)

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). It features four systems of staves:

- Piano:** The first system shows a piano introduction with a treble clef staff playing a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes and a bass clef staff with a few chords. The dynamic is marked *p*.
- TB (Tenor Bass):** The second system shows the Tenor Bass vocal line. It begins with a rest, followed by a melodic line starting on a whole note. The dynamic is marked *mp*. A slur covers the first two notes, and the word "Speed." is written below.
- Pno. (Piano):** The third system shows the piano accompaniment. It features a complex rhythmic pattern of eighth notes in the right hand and chords in the left hand. Dynamics range from *p* to *f*.
- SA (Soprano Alto) and TB (Tenor Bass):** The fourth system shows the vocal lines. The SA part has a melodic line with lyrics "This beau-ti-ful" and a triplet of eighth notes. The TB part has lyrics "This speed." and "This speed." with a melodic line. Dynamics are marked *mp*.
- Pno. (Piano):** The fifth system shows the piano accompaniment continuing with the same rhythmic pattern. Dynamics range from *f* to *mp*.

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This Beautiful Speed

13 *mf* *mp* *mf*

SA speed. This beau-ti-ful speed. This beau-ti-ful

TB This speed. This beau-ti-ful speed.

Pno. *cresc. poco a poco*

17 *f*

SA speed. This beau-ti-ful speed. This beau-ti-ful speed. will be the

TB This beau-ti-ful speed. This beau-ti-ful speed.

Pno. *f*

21 *mf* *f*

SA end of us. Speed will be the end of us. Speed will be the end of us. Speed... This beau-ti-ful

TB Speed will be the end of us. Speed will be the end of us. Speed...

Pno.

This Beautiful Speed

SA *f* Speed ___ will be the end of us. Speed... *mp* Speed ___ will be the end of us. *mf* Speed ___ will be the end of us.

TB *f* Speed ___ will be the end of us This beau - ti - ful speed... *mp* This speed... *mf*

Pno. *f* *mp*

SA *f* Speed will be the end of us. This beau - ti - ful speed ___ will be the end of speed. *mf*

TB *f* Speed will be the end of us. Speed ___ will be the end of speed. *mf* speed ___ will be the end of us.

Pno. *ff* *f* *mf*

SA This beau - ti - ful speed. ___ *f* Speed. speed ___ will be the end of us. *mf* This beau - ti - ful speed.

TB *mf* Speed. speed ___ will be the end of us. *mp* Speed. This speed will be the end of us.

Pno. *f*

This Beautiful Speed

37 *mf* This beau-ti-ful speed...
mf This beau-ti-ful speed will be the

SA *mp* This beau-ti-ful speed will be the end of us. Us...
TB This speed will be the end of us, will be the end of us. Us...

Pno. *mp*

rit. poco a poco *mp* *p*
Soli This beau-ti-ful speed will be the end of stars... Stars... Stars...
end... This beau-ti-ful speed of stars... Stars... Stars...

A **Tempo 1** *dolce* *mp*
Soli Those stars will be the
SA *p* Those stars...
TB *p* Those stars...
Pno. *p*

This Beautiful Speed

66

S
A
T
B

Those are stars in our
Stars in our
Stars in our
Those stars... Those stars... our
Stars in our
Those stars... Those stars... our

66

Pno.

teeth. our teeth. Those are stars in our
teeth. our teeth. This speed will be the end of us. Speed.
teeth. our teeth. This speed will be the end of us. Speed.

71

SA
TB

teeth. our teeth. This speed will be the end of us. Speed.
teeth. our teeth. This speed will be the end of us. Speed.

71

Pno.

mp
mf

This Beautiful Speed

teeth. _____

SA *mf* Speed will be the end of us. Speed in our teeth. Speed will be the end of us.

TB *mf* Speed will be the end of us. Those are stars in our teeth. Speed will be the end of us.

C

Pno. *mp*

Soli *mf* This speed will be the end of us.

SA *mp* Speed. Speed will be the end of us. This beau-ti-ful speed.

TB *mf* This beau-ti-ful speed will be the end of us. This beau-ti-ful speed.

Pno.

PERUSAL

83 *mf*

Soli This speed will be the end of us. Us. Speed.

SA

TB

83

Pno.

86 *p*

Soli Speed. Speed. Speed.

SA *p*

TB *p*

86 *non rit.*

Pno.