

Softly, As I Leave You

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The musical score is written in treble clef with a common time signature (C). It consists of nine staves of music, each with a line of lyrics underneath. Chord symbols are placed above the notes. The lyrics are: "Soft - ly I will leave you soft - ly For my heart would break if you should wake and see me go. So I leave you soft - ly Long be - fore you miss me, Long be - fore your arms can beg me stay For one more hour or one more day. Af - ter all the years I can't bear the tears to fall so soft - ly As I leave you there. As I leave you there, As I leave you there, as I leave you there." The score includes a repeat sign with first and second endings at the end of the piece.

C Dm⁷ G⁷ C Dm⁷ G⁷

Soft - ly I will leave you soft - ly For my heart would

5 C F C Dm⁷ G⁷

break if you should wake and see me go. So I leave you

9 E_b Fm⁷ B_b⁷ E_b Fm⁷ B_b⁷

soft - ly Long be - fore you miss me, Long be - fore your

13 E_b A_b Gm⁷ E_b Fm⁷ B_b⁷

arms can beg me stay For one more hour or one more

17 C Dm⁷ G⁷ C Dm G⁷ Am Am⁷ F

day. Af - ter all the years I can't bear the tears to fall so

23 A_b Fm⁷ C Dm⁷ G⁷ Fm⁷ C

soft - ly As I leave you there. As I leave you there,

29 Dm⁷ G⁷ C Dm⁷ G⁷ C Fm⁶ C

As I leave you there, as I leave you there.