

Song of Persistence

from *The Flight of the Hummingbird*

Dedicated to Indigenous Peoples,
their neighbours, and friends, who persist
in keeping our one world safe for all our children

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♩ = 80

Dukdukdiya *mp*

Hai - da sea, great

Piano *p*

4

DDD

spi - rit bear, _____ an - cient woods felled floor. _____

Pno.

7

DDD

Ta - rry sand piped to the coast will cha - llenge sea and

Pno.

10

DDD *mf*

shore. Al - ti pla - no, with ci - ties high,

Pno. *mp*

13

DDD

ri - sing through the clouds a - bove. The peo - ple there de -

Pno.

16

DDD *mf espress.*

fend their spud, so old - and grown in mud. There are

Pno. *mf*

19

DDD

pla - ces in the world where peo - ple take such

Pno.

mp *mf* *mp*

22

DDD

care to pro - tect all that's good for

Pno.

mf *mp* *sub mp*

25

DDD

peo - ple to share. On

Pno.

mf

rit.

28

DDD

A - rtic ice mel - ting thin, po - lar bears no lon - ger

Pno.

a tempo

31

DDD

roam. But the I - nu-it per - se - vere. There

Pno.

8va

34

DDD

ma - ny still call home. In moist tro - pic

Pno.

mp

37

DDD

ri - ver ways, the A - ma - zon, a wind - ing maze. Where

Pno.

40

DDD

hope, if lost, our chil - dren's cost, a fo - rest in bur - ning

Pno.