Sweet Caroline

Words & Music: Neil Diamond

During the wonderful 2004 Red Sox run, this song inexplicably became a 7th inning stretch staple at Fenway Park (probably for the line "...good times never felt so good..." - a new sentiment for long-suffering Red Sox fans of the time) and it remains so. It's worth the trip just to hear 35,000+ people sing "Whoa! Whoa! Whoa!" during the chorus. In 2007, Neil Diamond revealed that this song was written about a young Caroline Kennedy.

INTRO OVER E

A D
Where it began? I can't begin to know it.
A E
But, then, I know it's going strong.
A D
Was in the spring, and spring became a summer.
A E
Who'd have believe you'd come along?
A AM7
Hands touching hands.
E D E
Reaching out, touching me, touching you.

CHORUS:

A D E
Sweet Caroline! (Whoa! Whoa! Whoa!) Good times never seemed so good!
A D E
I've been inclined to believe there never would.
D Dbm Bm
But now I'm...

Look at the night and it don't seem so lonely.
We fill it up with only two.
And when I hurt, hurting runs off my shoulder.
How can I hurt when holding you?

Warm touching warm.
Reaching out, touching me, touching you.

CHORUS: [2x - with the E intro riff in between]