

PUGSLEY SIDES #2

SCENE 7

(CROSSOVER - PUGSLEY'S BEDROOM)

#19A BEDTIME STORY

(MORTICIA rides PUGSLEY'S bed as it travels SL.)

START **MORTICIA**
What's wrong, my little cockroach?

PUGSLEY
I can't sleep.

MORTICIA
Why not?

PUGSLEY
There's no monster in the closet.

MORTICIA
(wearily, her mind elsewhere)
I'm sure he's hiding someplace else.

PUGSLEY
Mommy ... I have a Full Disclosure.

MORTICIA
Yes?

PUGSLEY
What if you tried to do something to somebody and you ended up doing it to somebody else by mistake?

MORTICIA
Are we talking about anyone we know?

PUGSLEY
Well, I was talking to Grandma before, and she told me -

MORTICIA
Don't listen to that ancient woman. She may not even be part of this family.

PUGSLEY
Is Wednesday really gonna marry that guy?

MORTICIA

She might.

PUGSLEY

Oh, no!

(then)

Make me feel better, Mommy.

MORTICIA

Life is a tightrope, my child, and at the other end is your coffin.

(then)

Better?

PUGSLEY

Uh-huh. Thanks, Mommy.

MORTICIA

Now close your eyes or the monster won't come out and eat you up. **END**

(looks closely at him)

Pugsley? Pugsley?

(MORTICIA sees that PUGSLEY is fast asleep. She strokes his head as...)

Sleep well, my little vermin. Your mommy's life has fallen apart and she needs to go away for a while. And, years from now, when your marriage collapses and you want to know who put us all on the road to hell, you can thank your father.

(A MONSTER IGUANADON's feet, tail and finally, head, emerge from under the bed and walk the bed off.)

(to the monster under the bed)

Look after my baby, will you? Keep him in harm's way.

(The MONSTER carries off the bed, MORTICIA and PUGSLEY.)