

All I Ask Of You – Kamila Chavez

I hope you soar
And I hope that when life gets hard
You remember who you are
You're the granddaughter of two incredibly strong women
The daughter of a woman who is just as strong
The daughter of a woman, of a nurse
Who brought you into this world during a pandemic
I hope you dream
And dream big
I hope your dream scares you
If it doesn't it's not big enough
I hope you know we're behind you
No matter what
I can't promise you everything
I can't promise you a perfect life
I can't even promise you an easy one
I can't promise that everything will be great all the time
I can't promise certainty
I think the state of the world you came into proves that
What I can promise you is safety
Safety in my arms and in the arms of your mother
I can promise that I'll try my hardest to make you laugh
I can promise that I'll do my best
I don't need you to make me proud
You did that the day you were born
And you make me prouder than I ever thought I could be every single day
Whatever song you sing
I'll always love you
Love who you love
Be who you are
Remember that you won't change the world overnight
Remember that you don't have to do that
All I want for you
All I ask of you
Is that when the time comes that you look back
When the time comes to close out your story
All I ask of you is to be proud
And be sure
Be sure you left the world better than you found it
Leave it better for your children and grandchildren
And as for me
Well, I'll try to do the same

