

Medicinals

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verse 1

Em **Am**
I was walking through the National Mall
G **C** **Am**
Thinking about medicinals, how they used to grow there
Em **Am**
When the ground was a marshland
G **C** **Am**
Undisturbed by human hands, and I heard their voices

Am **Em**
The sumac said, We are always here
Am **Em**
The witch hazel, We are always here
Am **Em**
The sassafras, We are always here
Am **Em**
The bluestem grasses always here

verse 2

Em Am G C Am
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Em **Am**
I looked about, what did I see?
G **C** **Am**
Medicinals growin' around me, rising from the gravel
Em **Am**
Sumac and the witch hazel
G **C** **Am**
Come to soothe our pain, our souls, come to soothe our troubles

Am

Em

The sumac said, We are always here
Am Em
The witch hazel, We are always here
Am Em
The sassafras, We are always here
Am Em
The bluestem grasses always here

Outro

Bm Em F#m G
But do you see that woman, sitting in the wheelchair?
Bm Em F#m G
With her Redskins cap on backwards, what s that she s singing?
Bm Em F#m G
As from inside a paper wrapper, she sips from a bottle
F# Em D C D
A new painkiller, for the native people