IT HAD BETTER BE TONIGHT

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English Lyrics by JOHNNY MERCER
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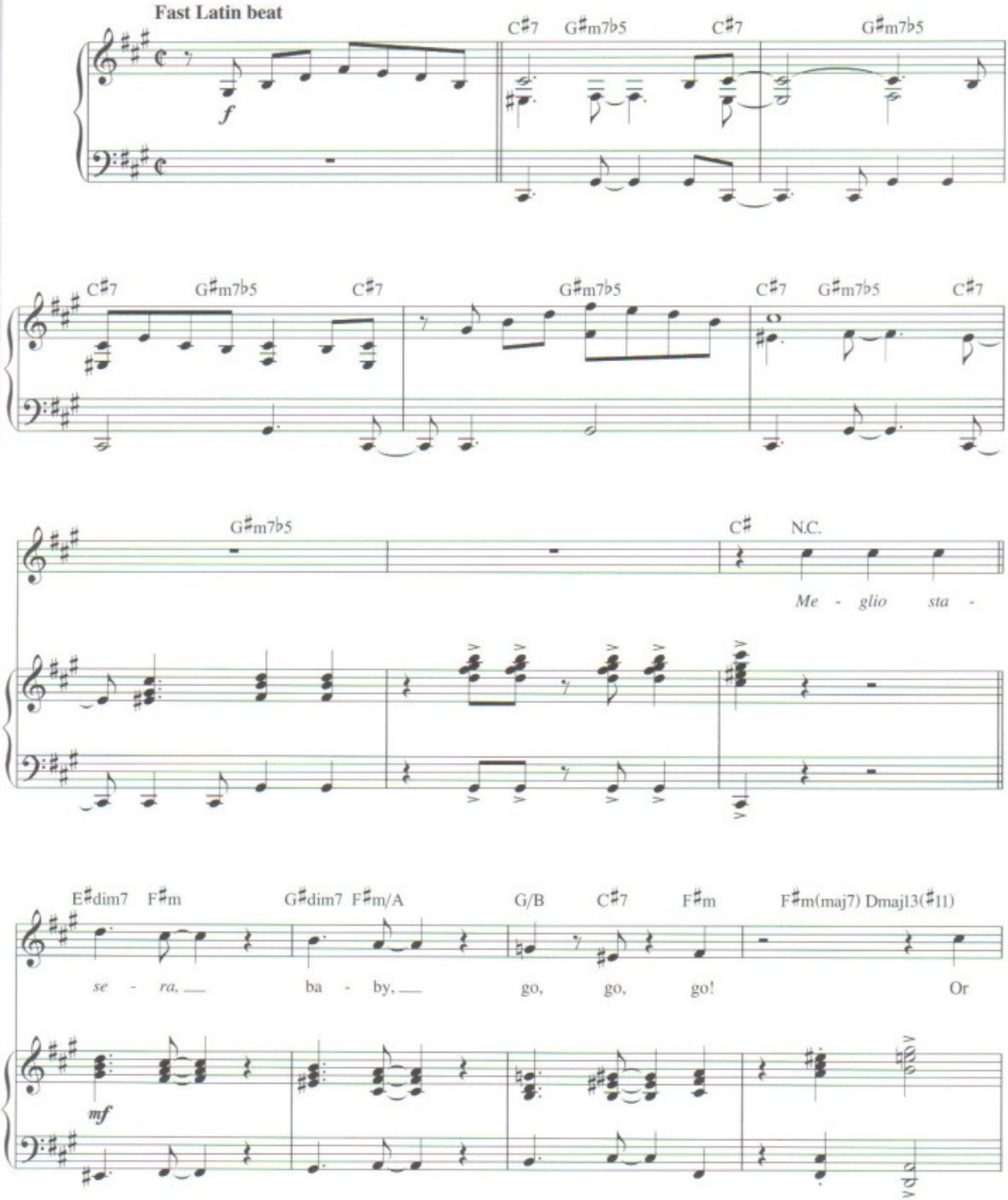

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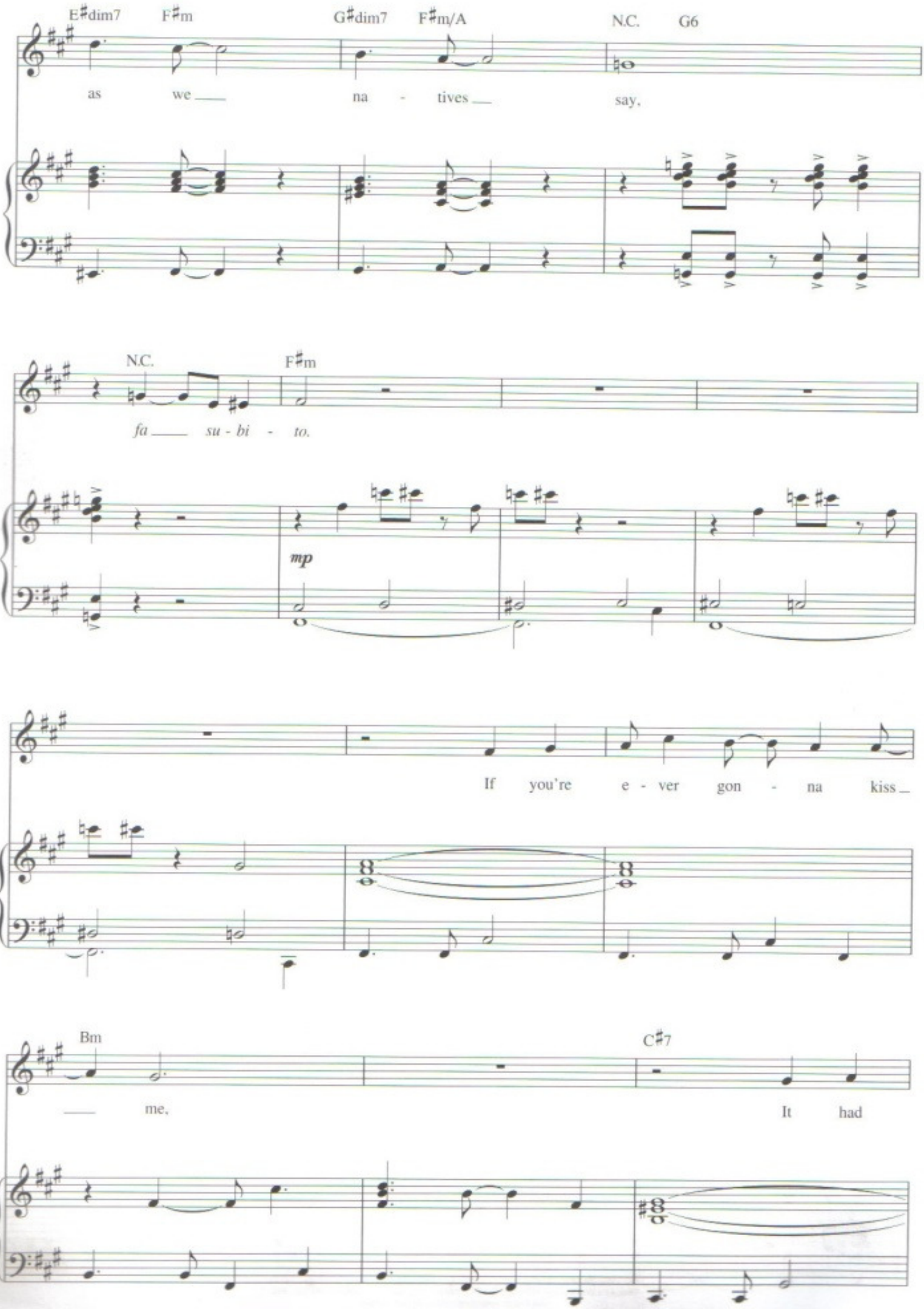
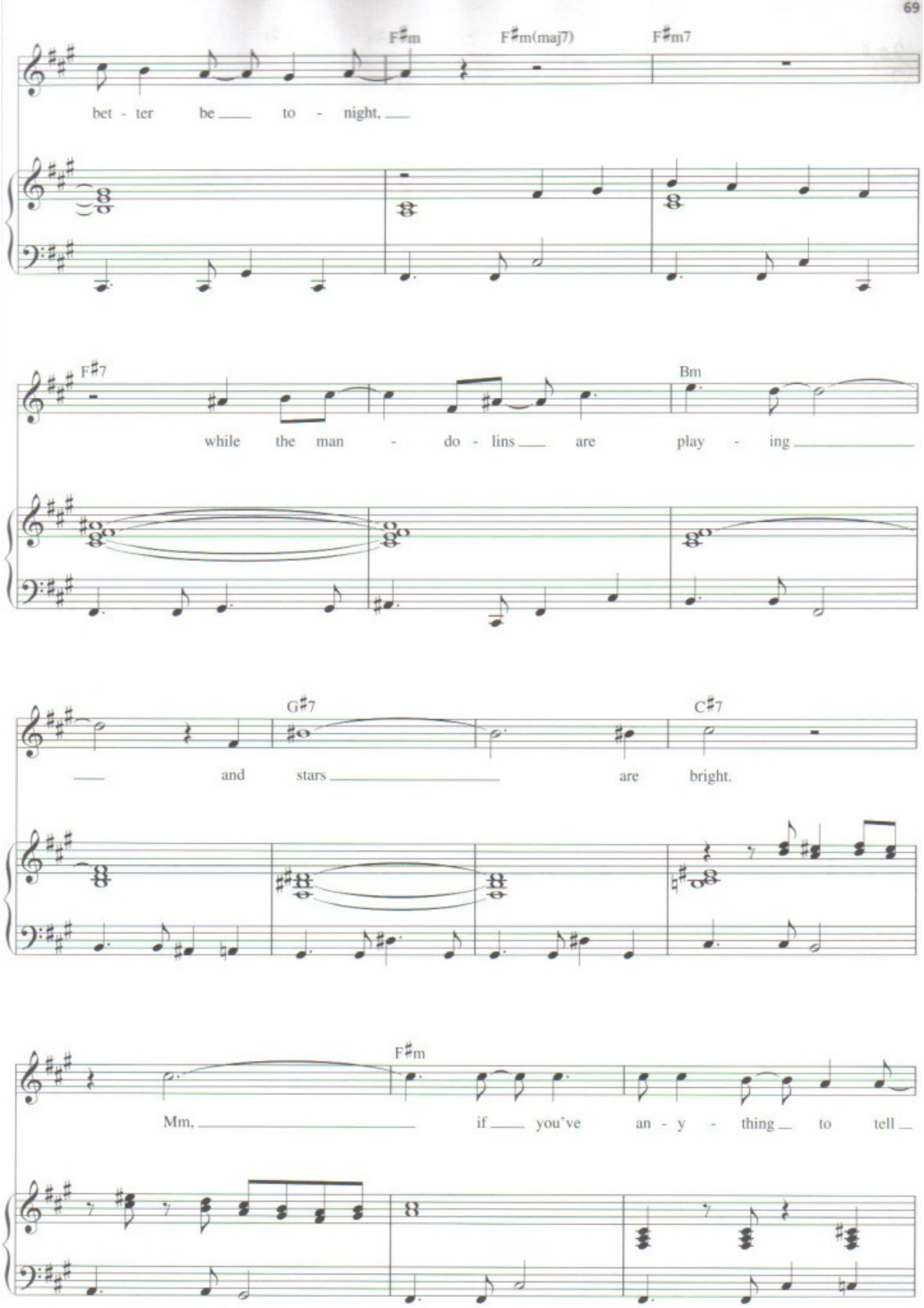
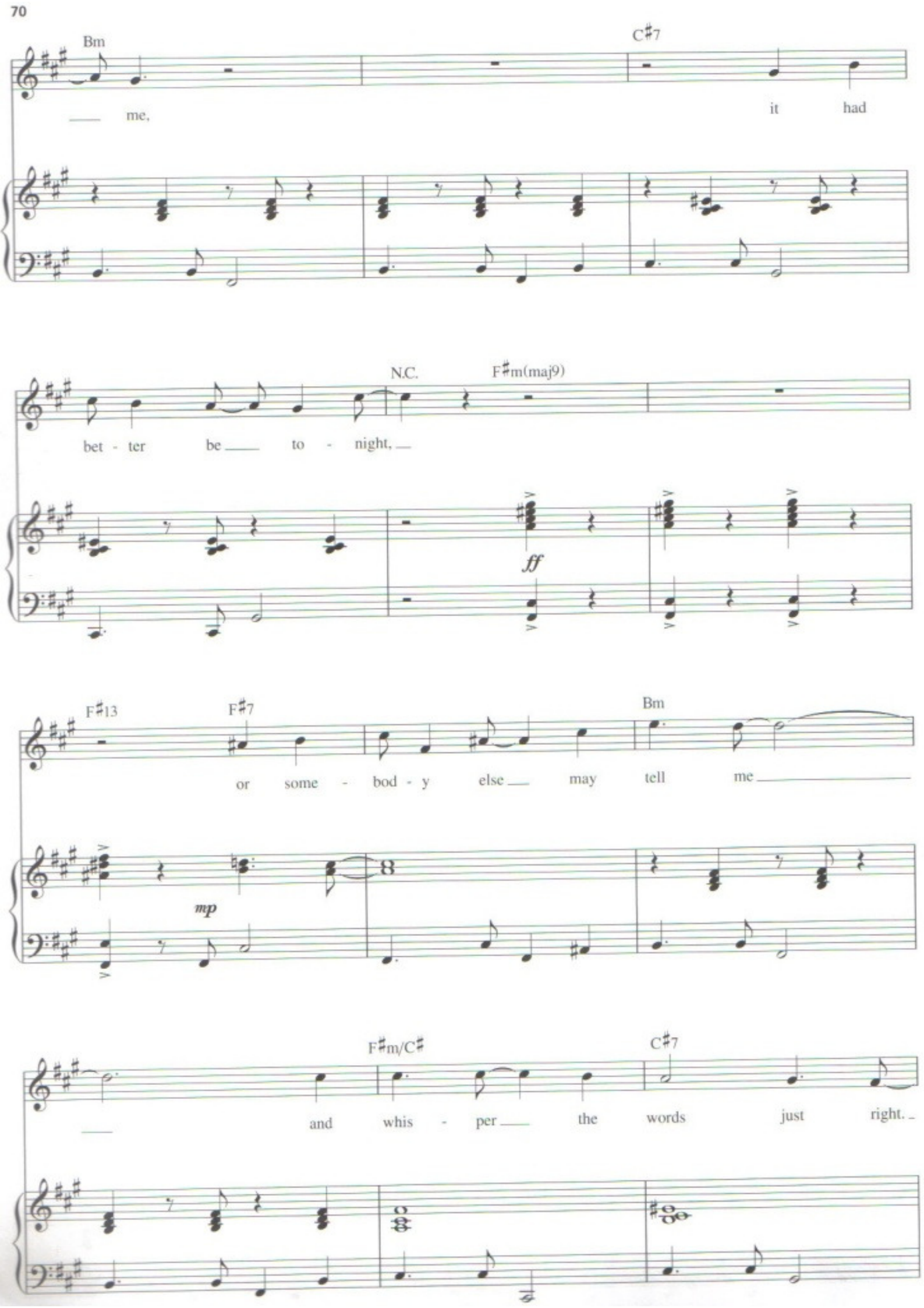
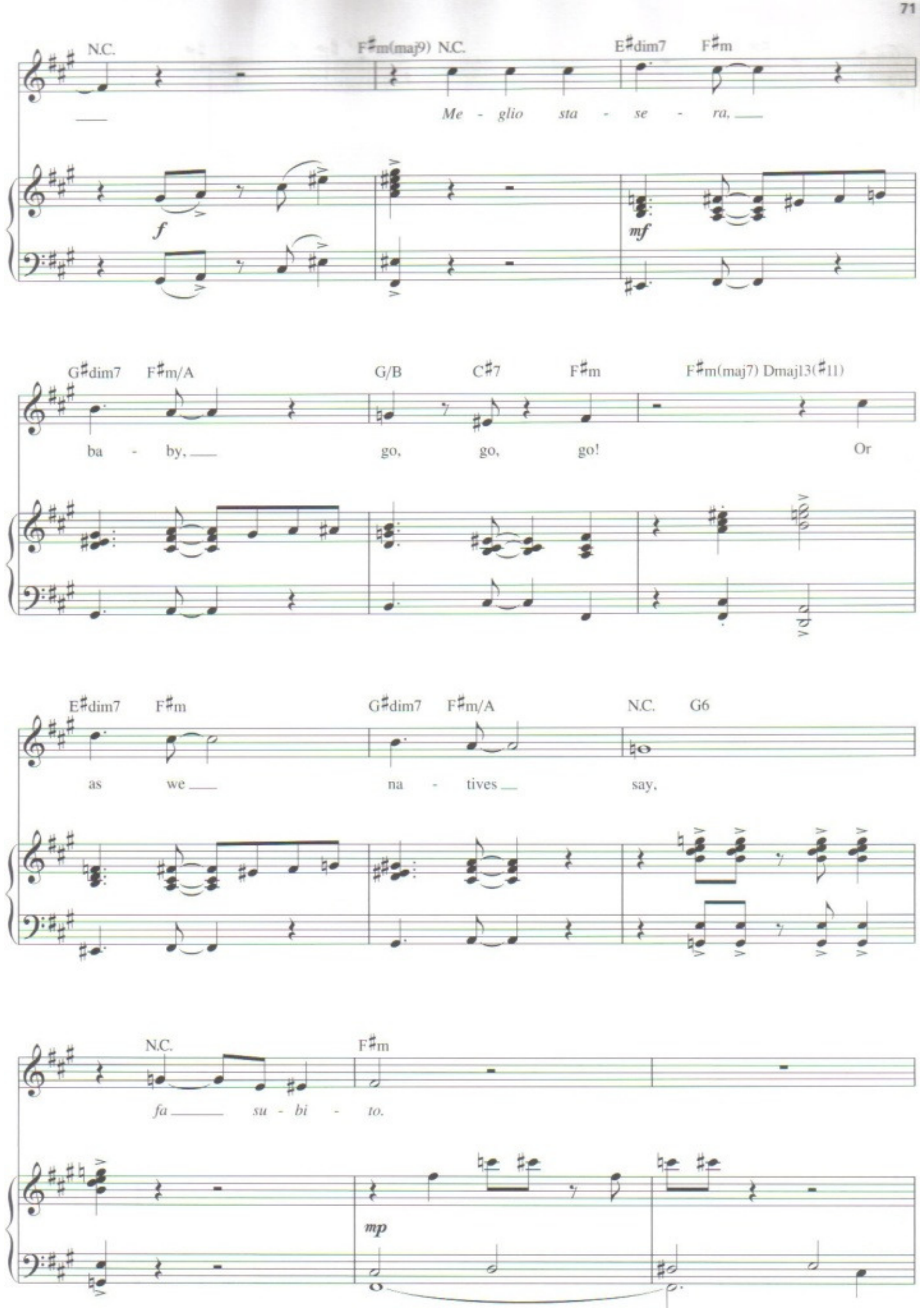
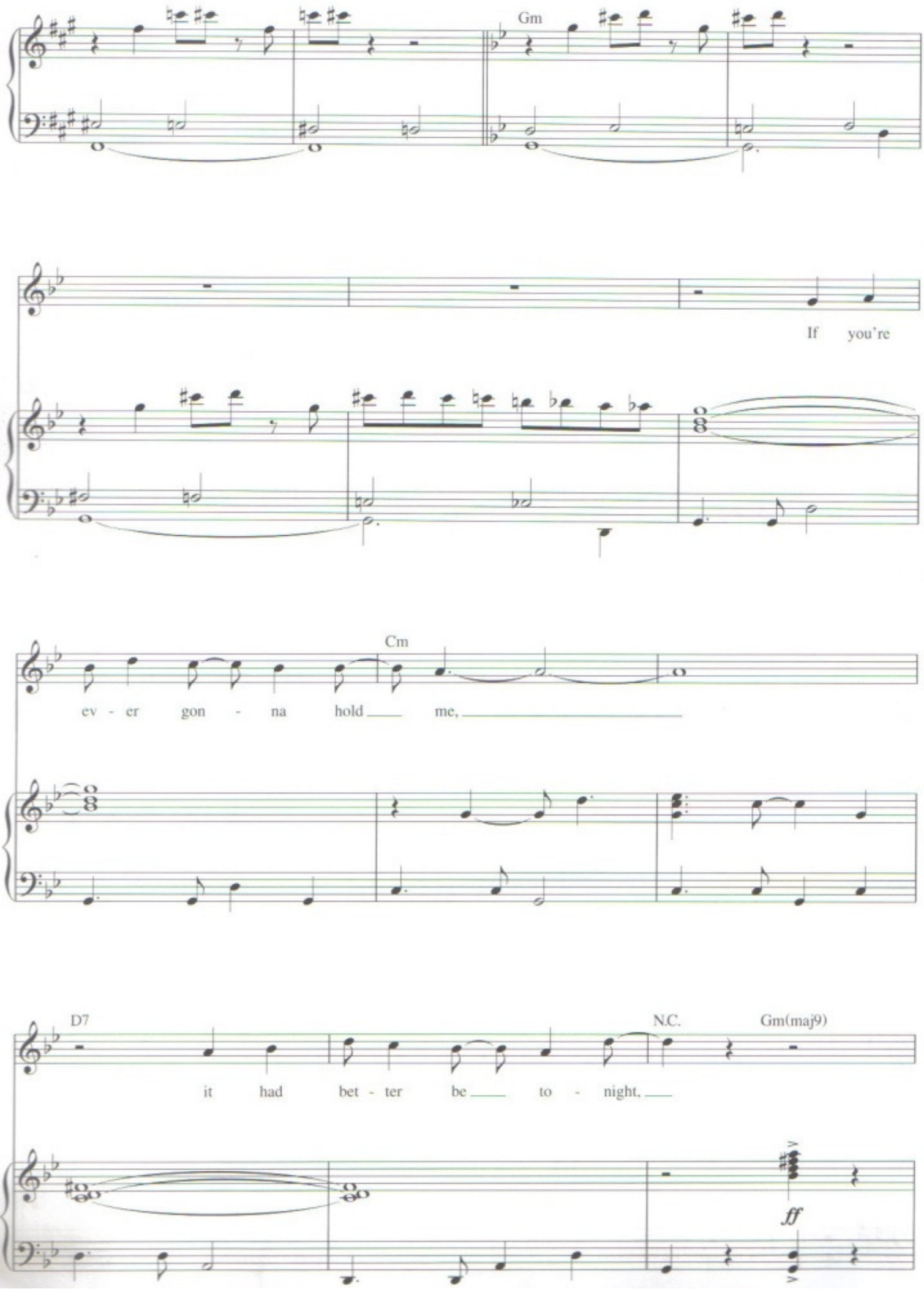
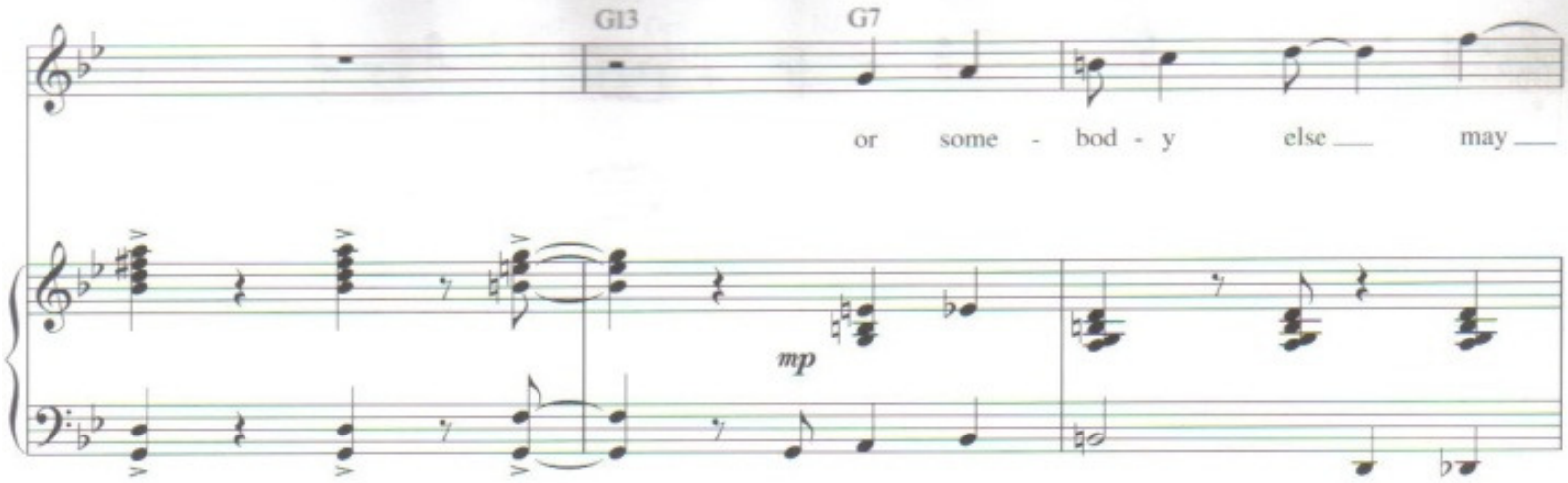

E♯dim7
F♯m
G♯dim7
F♯m/A
N.C.
G6
as we na - tives say,
N.C.
F♯m
fa su - bi - to.
mp
If you're e - ver gon - na kiss
Bm
C♯7
me,
It had

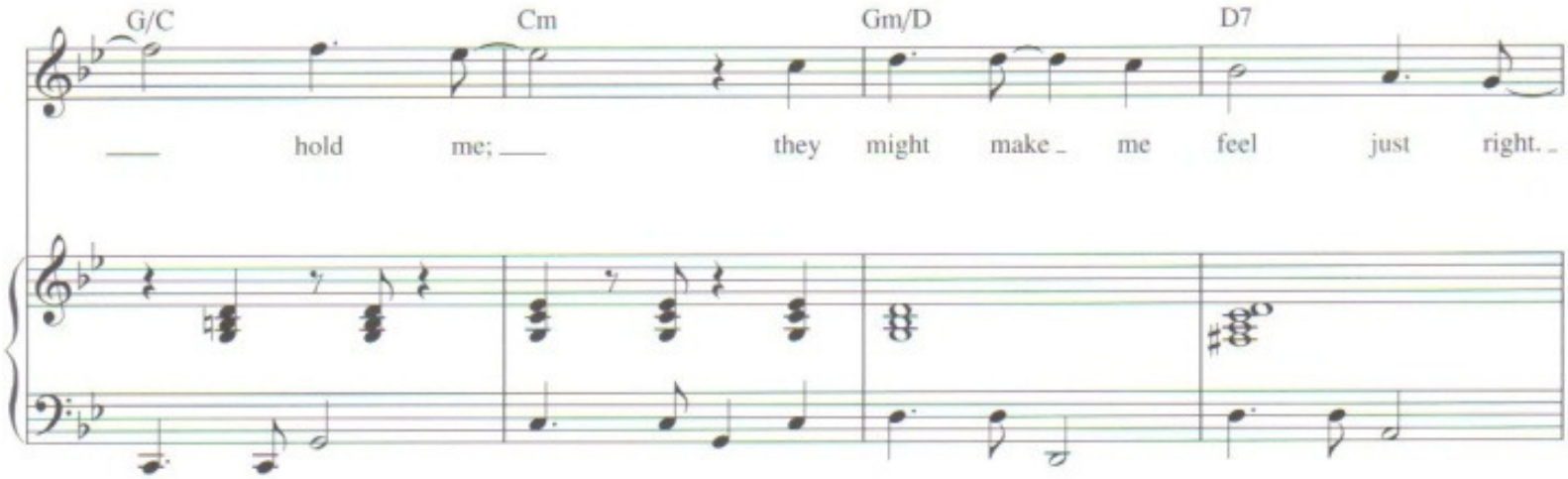

F♯m
F♯m(maj7)
F♯m7
bet - ter be to - night,
F♯7
Bm
while the man - do - lins are play - ing
G♯7
C♯7
and stars are bright.
F♯m
Mm, if you've an - y - thing to tell

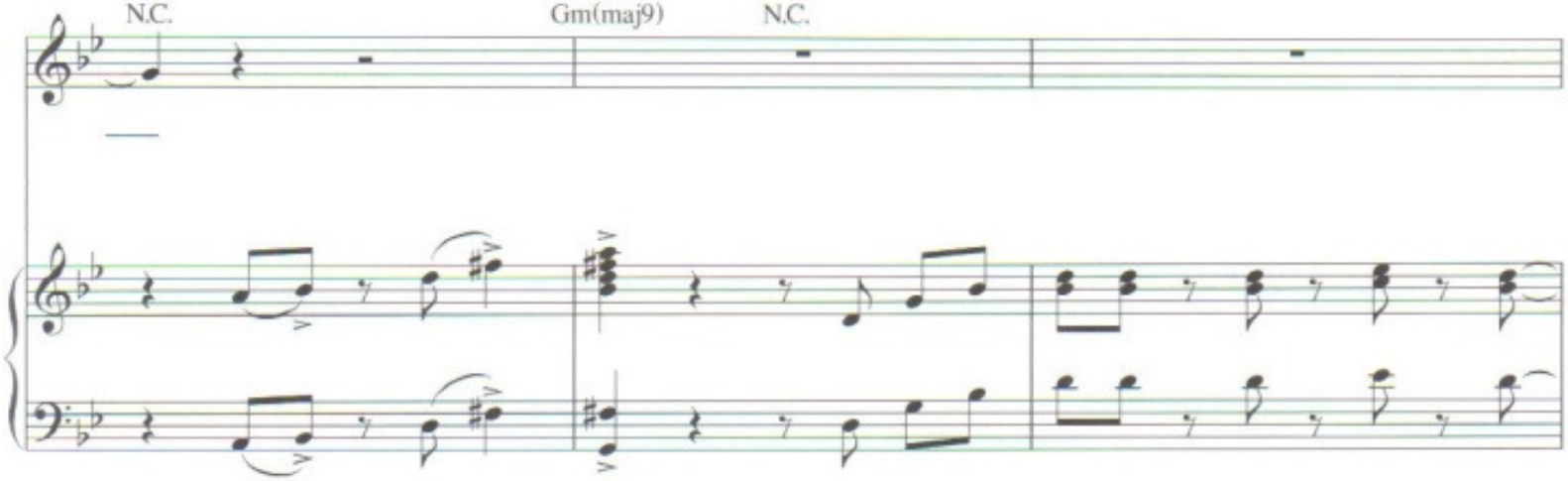

Bm
C♯7
me,
it had
N.C.
F♯m(maj9)
bet - ter be to - night,
ff
F♯13
F♯7
Bm
or some - bod - y else may tell me
mp
F♯m/C♯
C♯7
and whis - per the words just right.

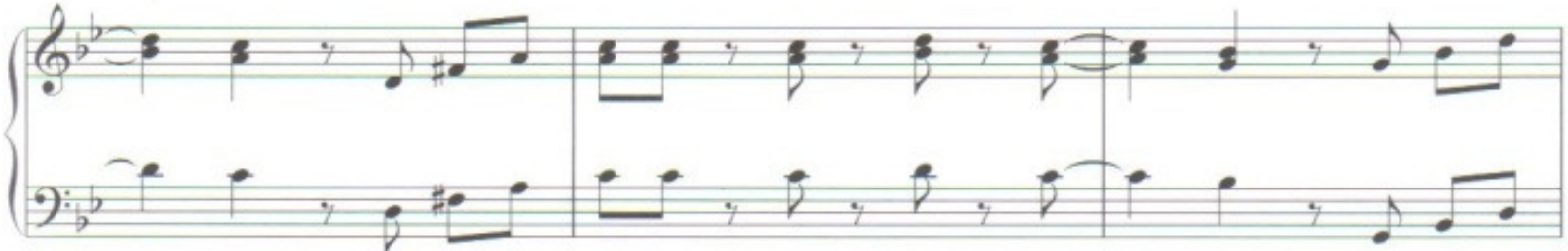

N.C.
F♯m(maj9) N.C.
E♯dim7
F♯m
Me - glio sta - se - ra,
f
mf
G♯dim7
F♯m/A
G/B
C♯7
F♯m
F♯m(maj7) Dmaj13(♯11)
ba - by,
go, go, go!
Or
E♯dim7
F♯m
G♯dim7
F♯m/A
N.C.
G6
as we
na - tives
say,
N.C.
F♯m
fa su - bi - to.
mp

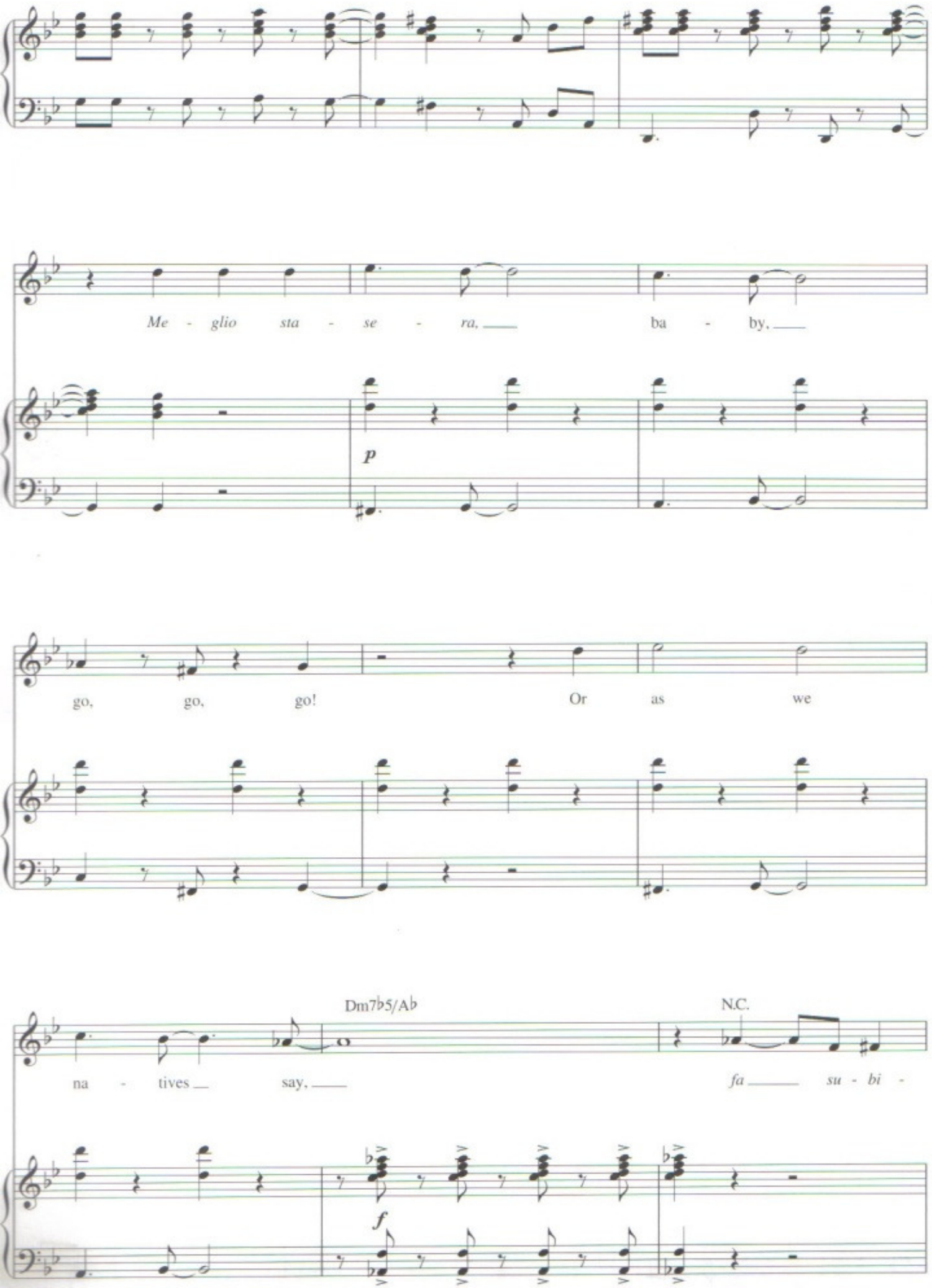

Gm
If you're
Cm
ev - er gon - na hold me,
D7
N.C.
Gm(maj9)
it had bet - ter be to - night,
ff

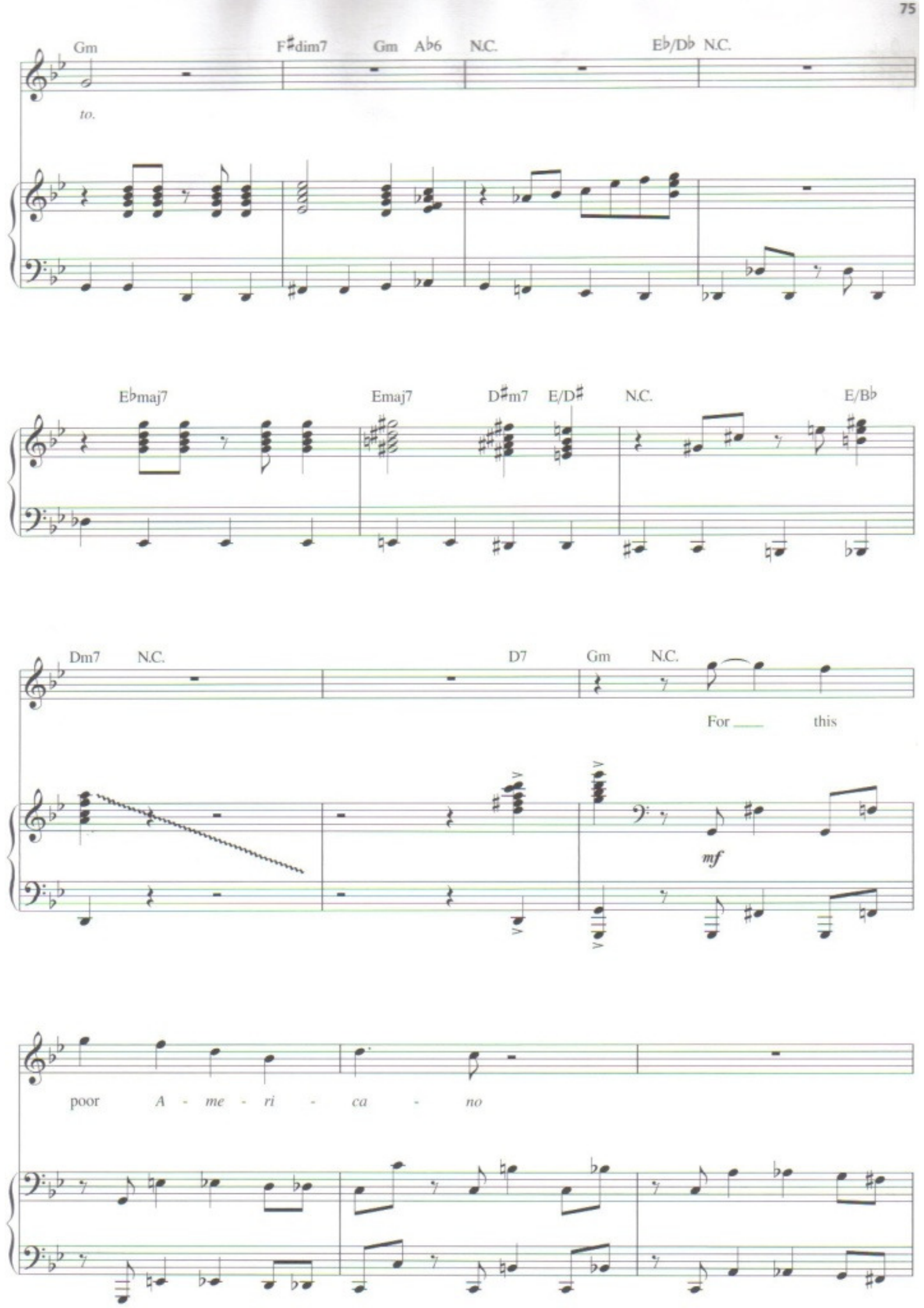

G13
G7
or some - bod - y else may
mp

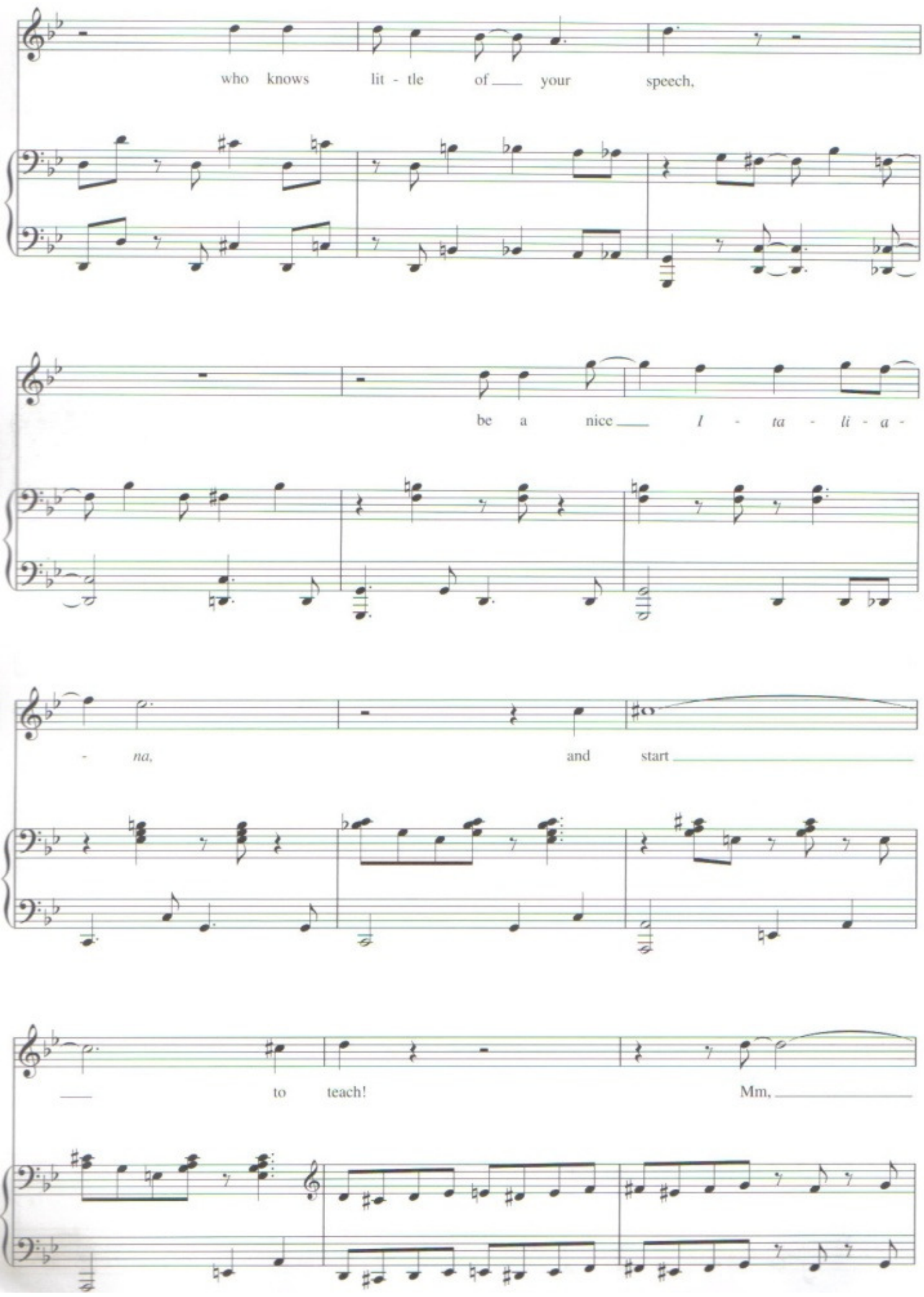

G/C
Cm
Gm/D
D7
hold me; they might make me feel just right.

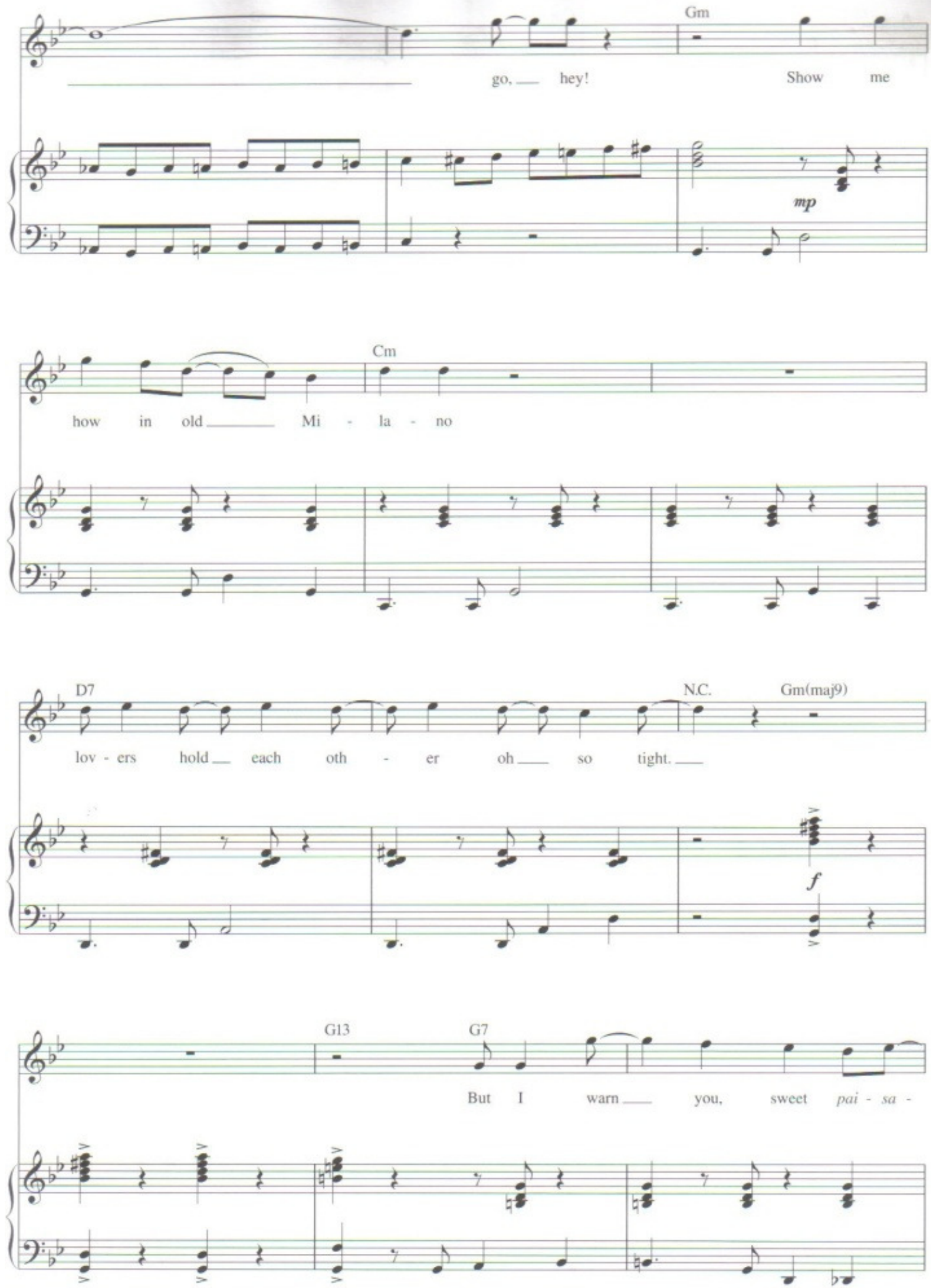

N.C.
Gm(maj9)
N.C.

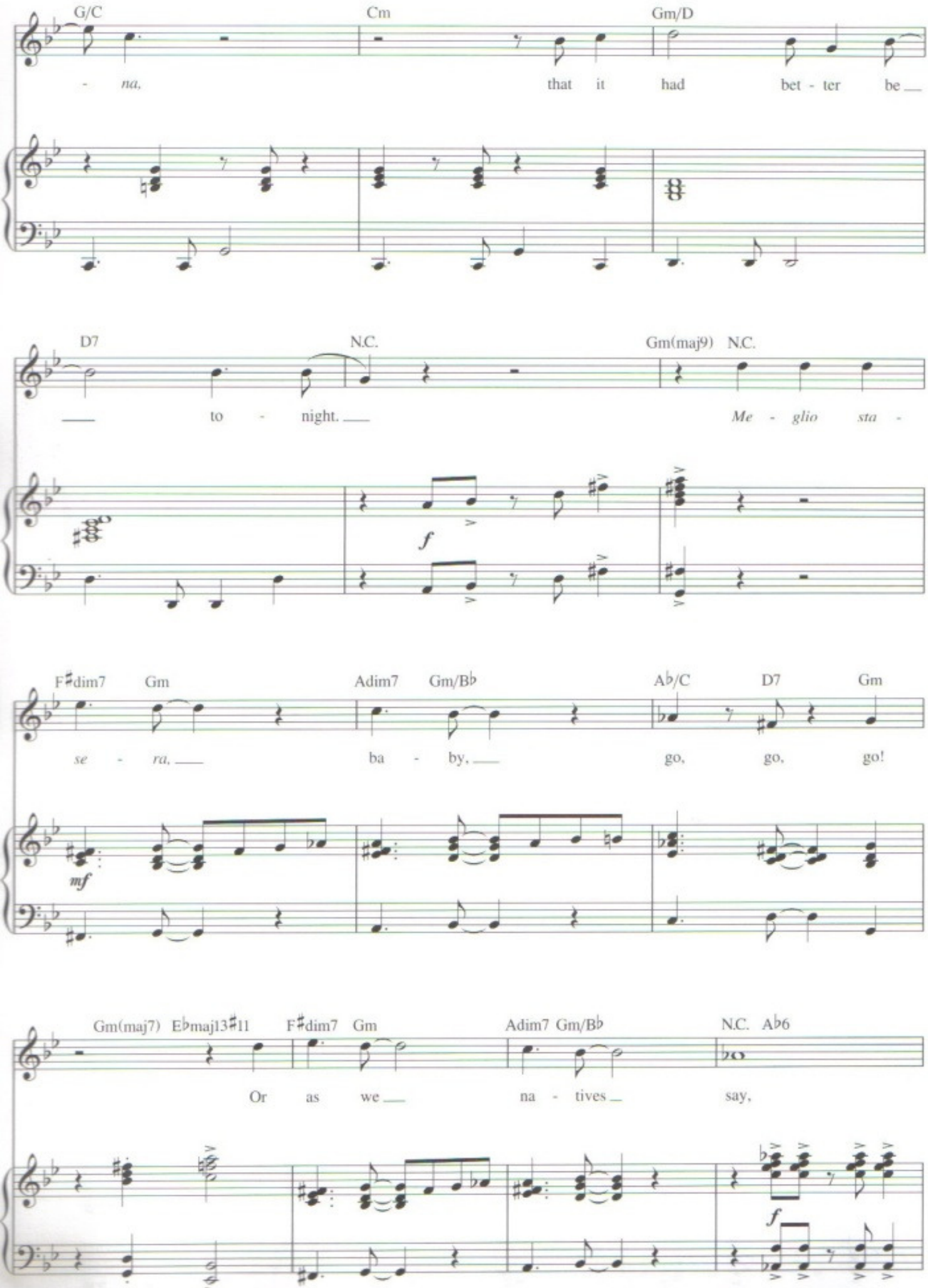


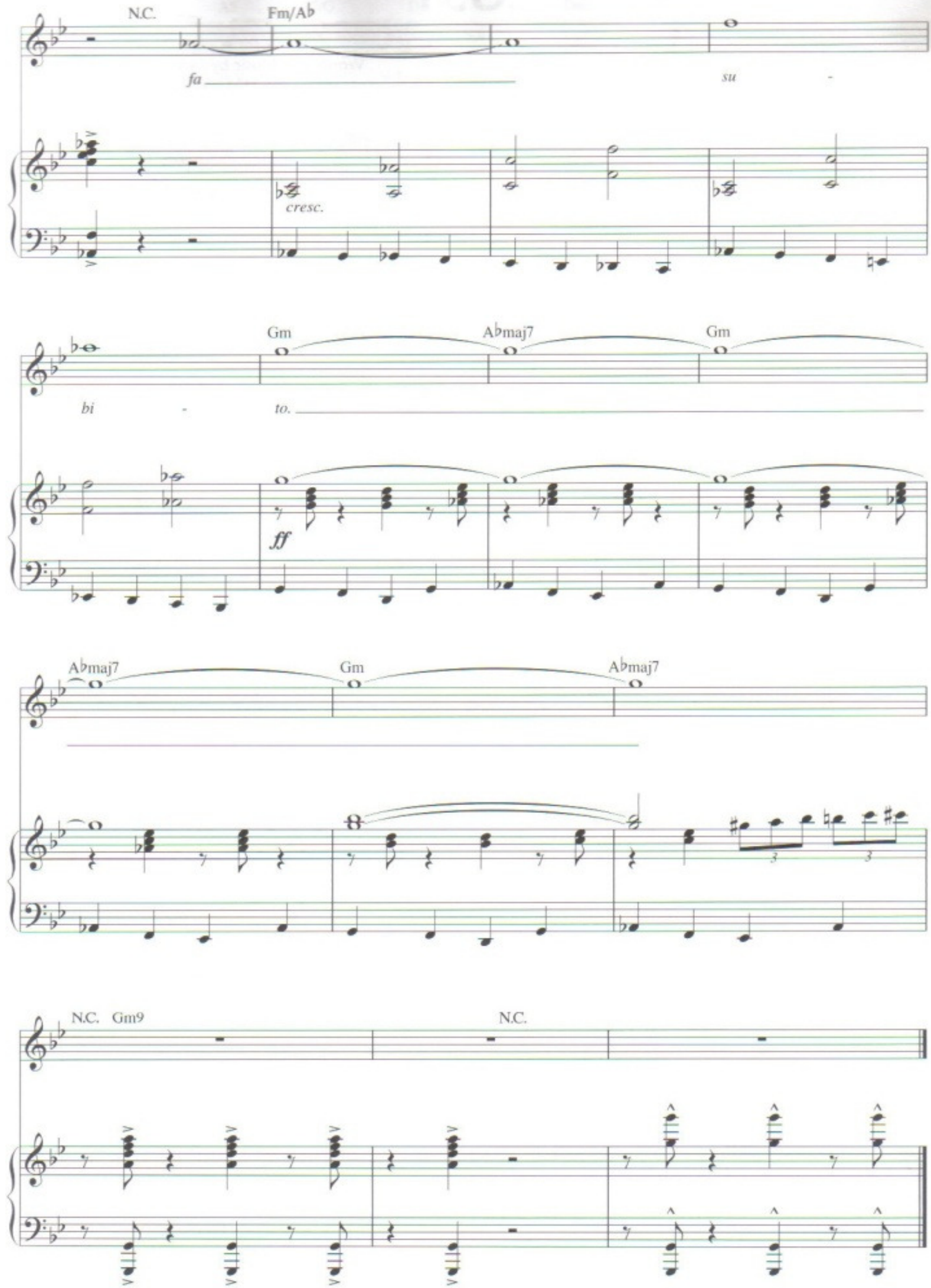

Me - glio sta - se - ra, ba - by,
p
go, go, go! Or as we
Dm7♭5/A♭
N.C.
na - tives say, fa su - bi -
f


Gm
F♯dim7
Gm
A♭6
N.C.
E♭/D♭
N.C.
to.
E♭maj7
Emaj7
D♯m7
E/D♯
N.C.
E/B♭
Dm7
N.C.
D7
Gm
N.C.
For ___ this
mf
poor A - me - ri - ca - no


who knows lit - tle of your speech,
be a nice l - ta - li - a -
- na, and start
to teach! Mm,


Gm
go, hey! Show me
mp
Cm
how in old Mi - la - no
D7
N.C.
Gm(maj9)
lov - ers hold each oth - er oh so tight.
f
G13
G7
But I warn you, sweet pai - sa -


G/C
Cm
Gm/D
- na,
that it had bet - ter be
D7
N.C.
Gm(maj9) N.C.
to - night.
Me - glio sta -
f
F♯dim7 Gm
Adim7 Gm/B♭
A♭/C D7 Gm
se - ra,
ba - by,
go, go, go!
mf
Gm(maj7) E♭maj13♯11
F♯dim7 Gm
Adim7 Gm/B♭
N.C. A♭6
Or as we
na - tives
say,
f


N.C.
Fm/A♭
fa
su
cresc.
Gm
A♭maj7
Gm
bi
to.
ff
A♭maj7
Gm
A♭maj7
3
3
N.C.
Gm9
N.C.