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it wasn't your offer
or the way you said it.
it wasn't the way you did it.
or how it made me feel.
it wasn't the time of day
or the month or the year
or the shape of the moon caressing us
or how the sun rose when you smiled.
it wasn't how the traffic zipped on the freeway
or how you said good bye
it was just about the way you loved me
and cared enough to ask.