BRIAN sits in his house with his cat, ARCHIBALD, by his side. There is a knock on the door, it's SANDY, BRIAN's neighbor.

BRIAN
Hey, Sandy. What's going on?

SANDY
Oh, nothing much. Is your cat here?

BRIAN looks around. ARCHIBALD is gone.

**BRIAN** 

He was just here, why what's up?

SANDY

It's nothing, I just wanted to complement Archibald on his shiny coat. Just tell him I said hi.

**BRIAN** 

Ok, will do.

SANDY exits. BRIAN shuts the door. BRIAN looks back to see ARCHIBALD sitting there and licking his paws.

BRIAN

Huh.

BRIAN is just about to sit down again when there comes a knock at the door. It's JILL, BRIAN's mom.

JILL

Hey, hon.

**BRIAN** 

Mom, what are you doing here?

JILL

Oh, y'know. I just wanted to thank Archibald for his speech at the Rotary auction last night. It was wonderful.

JILL goes over and snuggles ARCHIBALD.

**BRIAN** 

Okay, mom that's enough.

JILL

Look, honey I always get quality time with you but Archibald and I never get to spend any time together.

The sound of twisting metal and breaking glass is heard outside. CARLSON comes running in.

## **CARLSON**

Archibald, there's been an emergency! The governor's hurt and we need a trained EMT on site.

Everyone stares at ARCHIBALD as he runs heroically out the door.

JILL

God, I'm so proud to know that cat.

THE END.