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COLD OPEN

1 INT. PADDY'S IRISH PUB - LATE NIGHT - N/I

Mac and Charlie sit around the bar, smoking, drinking beer.
Dennis goes over receipts. Spirits are low.

DENNIS

Another big night, fellas. One Hundred eighty four dollars and sixty-seven cents.

MAC

Jesus Christ.

CHARLIE

On a Thursday night?

DENNIS

And our mortgage is due in two weeks.

MAC

Didn't we just pay that goddamn thing like a week ago?

DENNIS

Yes, Mac. And a week ago we were three weeks late.

CHARLIE What
are we gonna do?

DENNIS

I don't know, Charlie. But, then again, I don't know why I got into business with you boners in the first place, so I'm probably not the right person to ask.

MAC

Dennis, take it easy.

DENNIS

Take it easy? If we don't start making some money, we're gonna lose the bar.

CHARLIE

We are not gonna lose the bar.

MAC

Let's not get hysterical, please.

Sweet Dee rushes in.

SWEET DEE

(quickly)

Alright, listen. I met new this guy in my acting class. He's perfect for me and he wants to see where I work, so I told him we'd stop in. He's parking the car now, could you guys *please*, be cool for me?

MAC

Sweet Dee, of course we'll be cool.

SWEET DEE

I'm really into this guy, okay? So, *please* be nice.

DENNIS

When are we not nice, sis? I think-

Just then, the door opens and in walks: TERRELL, a large black dude.

DENNIS

Oh hey man, we're closed.

TERRELL

Yeah, I know.

He closes the door. Mac jumps up. Charlie does the same.

MAC

Whoa, we're not looking for any trouble, man.

TERRELL

What?

SWEET DEE

Guys. This is Terrell. From my acting class.

L0000000000000ng silence. Awkward.

CHARLIE

Oh.

DENNIS

Oh, okay. Right.

TERRELL

How you doing?

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MAC

Good. Good, man.

Silence.

TERRELL

Guess you guys don't have a lot of brothers walking in here, huh?

DENNIS

No man!

MAC

That's not it!

DENNIS

That's not it at all!

CHARLIE

We have plenty of brothers...black people...

DENNIS

African American. African American people coming in all the time.

MAC

You might know some of them...

TERRELL

Yeah, we're probably related.

MAC

No, that's not what I meant. I wasn't implying that you're all related.

DENNIS

He wasn't implying-

MAC

It was just that Sweet Dee said that, uh...

CHARLIE

We weren't expecting Dee to...

MAC

We just didn't expect you to be black.

Small beat.

TERRELL

Right.

L00000000000ng silence. Dee hangs her head.

SWEET DEE

Thanks guys.

CUT TO:

MAIN TITLES

Title: "It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia"

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ACT I

FADE IN:

2 INT. PADDY'S - LATER - N/1

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Some time has passed. Mac carries a couple of beers from the bar. Terrell is in the middle of an intense diatribe.

TERRELL

...when I'm promoting you better believe it's gonna be everybody and their momma trying to get in. White boys, brothas, Latinos, whatever. We got niggas hanging from the rafters!

CHARLIE

Absolutely.

TERRELL

So we got like four hundred plus packed into this place.

DENNIS

Four hundred?!

TERRELL

No joke. And it's mostly college kids. My sista goes to Temple and she's got the hookups there.

MAC

Hookups are good. Point of clarification. When you say "sista", you mean...

TERRELL

I mean my sister.

MAC

Great. It's just that sometimes it could mean your friend, or you know-

CHARLIE

Mac, shut up.

TERRELL

So we all packed into this *tiny* little place on Walnut. We like half way through the night, everything's goin' fine when all of a sudden, I see this dude eye ballin me from across the bar.

(MORE)

TERRELL (CONT'D)

And I'm like, you know, I don't know if this dude wants to freak me or fight me, you know what I'm sayin'?

Quick cut to Dennis. This sounds a little off.

MAC

Totally!

CHARLIE

This dude's givin' you crazy eyes!

TERRELL

So, I walk over to the dude. He's this big, cut, Mexican mofo. And I'm like "Yo', esse, unless you wanna get yo' ass torn apart yo betta get that look off yo' face.

MAC

You just walked right up to him and said that?

TERRELL

I had to make the first move, son. *Always* make the first move!

We find Dennis, once again, struggling through the innuendo.

MAC

Badass.

SWEET DEE

So what happened?

TERRELL

This dude, just kept staring me down. So we like eye ball to eye ball. I'm three inches from this dude's grill. It feels like eternity, son! Then he finally opens his mouth...and says: "I guess you gonna have to tear my ass apart then, holmes."

Rapt silence.

MAC

Oh shit.

SWEET DEE

Oh my God. What did you do?

TERRELL

...I had no choice... I took him to the back alley... and I tore his ass apart.

Everyone explodes into applause! Dennis is trying to figure out exactly what Terrell is talking about. "Tore his ass apart?"

SWEET DEE

Wow.

MAC

You are the man!

As the gang carries on, Dennis notices, just for a brief second that Terrell is staring at him. Terrell gives a little suggestive nod. We stay with Dennis for a long moment.

MAC (O.S.)

I love that guy!

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EXT. JAVA HUT - NEXT DAY - D/2

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Mac, Dennis, and Charlie walk up to a table outside the coffee shop and have a seat.

MAC

"I took him to the back alley..."?! Who does shit like that? It's like a movie!

DENNIS

I don't know. There was something about him that was a little off.

MAC

Uh...racist.

DENNIS

No asshole. That's not what I meant.

CHARLIE

I'll get the coffee. What do you guys want?

DENNIS

Dude, just wait until the waitress comes out here. You can stare at her then.

CHARLIE

I wasn't going to stare at her.

DENNIS

Sure you weren't. It's pathetic, Charlie, you're totally obsessed with that chick.

CHARLIE

I am not.

DENNIS

It's never gonna happen, dude.

MAC

Hey, we should totally hire Terrell!

DENNIS

I don't know.

MAC

Dude, you heard him. When he's promotin', everybody and they mommas are lookin' to get in.

The Waitress approaches from behind Charlie.

CHARLIE

Yeah. They have niggers hanging from rafters.

WAITRESS

Wow. Nice.

CHARLIE

No, I was quoting-

She walks off to another table with coffees.

CHARLIE

I was quoting a black...great, now she thinks I'm racist.

DENNIS

I thought you said you weren't into her.

CHARLIE

I'm not. It's just...that. I don't want her thinking that.

MAC

Den, let's give Terrell a shot. If he delivers half of what he promises, we're looking at like two hundred people.

DENNIS

It would be nice to actually get some chicks into Paddy's. Alright, let's give him a shot.

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5 EXT. NORTH PHILADELPHIA - DAY - D/2

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Mac and Charlie walk along the sidewalk near the University.

CHARLIE

You sure about this?

MAC

It's two thousand five, Charlie. Don't you think it's a damn shame that you have no friends outside of

your own race.

CHARLIE

So what are you planning to do?

MAC

We're gonna go in there and try to diversify. Make friends with people of other cultures, you know, broaden our horizons.

CHARLIE

You just wanna impress Terrell with new black friends.

MAC stares at him. Then:

MAC

Charlie. Don't be a dick.

6 INT. STUDENT UNION - MOMENTS LATER - D/2

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Mac and Charlie walk into a large common area packed with black students hanging out, talking, and playing "Bones". A particularly heated game is being played.