

House of Rules Monologue- SAWYER

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INT. SAWYER'S LIVING ROOM

Both Dawn and Sawyer are playing Donkey Kong on the floor of Sawyer's living room.

SAWYER

Okay, fuck, marry, kill... Lisa Bonet, Phylicia Rashad, orrrr... Janet Jackson.

DAWN

Oh, that's easy. Fuck Lisa Bonet, marry Janet, and kill Phylicia.

SAWYER

You'd screw Lisa Bonet over Phylicia?

Dawn shrugs his shoulders.

DAWN

She looks like my mom.

Sawyer looks at him, away from the console. Pause.

SAWYER

So... your mom single or what?

Sawyer can't hide their laugh. Dawn looks at Sawyer annoyed.

DAWN

You wish, sicko!

SAWYER

Dude pay attention! We're losing.

Sawyer points to the TV.

DAWN

We always lose! We even lost to your little brother.

SAWYER

Well, that's because the little knucklehead is unemployed and flunking out of school.

(pause)

Literally all he does is skip school to play games and smoke cigs with his friends outside Rico's Arcade.

DAWN

Sounds like someone I know...

SAWYER

Hey! At least I had a couple
honey's who did my homework for me.
(pause, looks at the
ceiling smiling)
Wouldn't have graduated high school
without Mandy or Cassandra.

DAWN

Speaking of honeys... where's Patrice
been?

SAWYER

She... dumped me man... Rough patch.

DAWN

What? I thought you guys were doing
well, she had just moved in.

SAWYER

And moved out the same week.

Dawn pauses the game.

DAWN

You guys were together for almost...
three years. I don't know how
Sawyer, but you've been in a
relationship the longest out of
everyone in the gang.

Sawyer smiles.

SAWYER

Well now I'm single and moving onto
Babesville.

DAWN

Damn dude.
(pause)
Well, what made her leave?

SAWYER

I wouldn't marry her- well it's not
that I wouldn't MARRY HER, it's
just... I'm only 24!

DAWN

Didn't your parents get married at
18?

SAWYER

And they hate each other!

DAWN

Sawyer.

SAWYER

Dude, I'm serious! All they do is fight. They just put on a good front in crowds.

(pause)

I love Patrice but... why rush marriage when we have the rest of our lives?

DAWN

Have you talked to her since?

SAWYER

I tried calling her house phone, but her mom or sisters always have some lame excuse as to why she can't come to the phone.

DAWN

Well... June said she saw Patrice out with some dude at the movies.

(pause)

That's why I asked.

Sawyer stands up.

SAWYER

Movies?! With some bonehead?! When?

DAWN

Geez, maybe a couple weeks ago. June went on a date, and she ran into Patrice there with another guy.

(pause)

They were holding hands.

SAWYER

WHAT MOVIE?

DAWN

Geez... I don't know. I think it was a horror movie. The Fly?

SAWYER

I-She-Horror?!

Sawyer paces back and forth.

SAWYER (CONT'D)

She hates horror movies! She's into musicals, romantic comedies! Since when did she like horror movies? She couldn't even sit through Cujo! I mean, were talking about a fucking dog with rabies?! She told me to turn it off!

DAWN

Sawyer are you jealous? I didn't mean to upset you.

Sawyer stops pacing and looks and Dawn.

SAWYER

Ha, jealous? No.

(pause)

Was it really The Fly? I mean geez, she knows I love horror movies!

FADE OUT.