

Alto

Winter Solstice Eve

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The musical score is written for an Alto voice part in 4/4 time with a tempo of quarter note = 70. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The score is divided into two main sections, A and B, indicated by boxed letters. Section A starts at measure 1 and ends at measure 15. Section B starts at measure 16 and ends at measure 26. The lyrics are: "dark___ To know change", "live___ To feel a - live___ mov ing_towards the light", "___ No mat - ter how dark ___ No mat - ter how long the night", "___ To know love___ is to be - a - fraid___ fail___", "___ speak too loud___ A - fraid of how", and "tru - ly brave we are___ fa - cing the east We wish on a". Dynamic markings include *pp*, *mp*, *mf*, and *p*. There are also performance instructions such as a fermata over measure 15, a crescendo leading to *mf* at measure 16, and a decrescendo leading to *p* at measure 20. Section A includes a first ending bracket over measures 2-3 and a second ending bracket over measures 4-5. Section B includes a first ending bracket over measures 17-18 and a second ending bracket over measures 19-20. Measure numbers 7, 12, 16, 22, and 26 are indicated at the start of their respective lines.

J = 70 **A** 2 *pp*
dark___ To know change

7 *mp* *mf*
live___ To feel a - live___ mov ing_towards the light

12 *mp* 3
___ No mat - ter how dark ___ No mat - ter how long the night

16 *p* *mf* *p* **B**
___ To know love___ is to be - a - fraid___ fail___

22 *mf*
___ speak too loud___ A - fraid of how

26
tru - ly brave we are___ fa - cing the east We wish on a

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31 *f*
 shoot - ing star walk___ on this sol - stice_ eve___

37 *ff*
 spruce like a wel - come cave___ come___

42 *p*
 whis - pers the milk y way We watch_for the



47 *mf* *ppp* *pppp*
 sun's ray mmm dark___