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IN MEMORY OF

MARY DOUGLAS, HENRY LEVINSON,
AND RICHARD RORTY

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ON RELATIONAL POWER:

Lupita tells me she has serious problems because she has no sewer service and the same with this one and that one and that one. This is the way we begin to have a relationship. And then, if you don't have water and I don't have water, let's have a meeting to fight for this.

—*Carmen Anaya*

ON ACCOUNTABILITY:

You said you were gonna, but you didn't.
What's up with that?

—*Joanne Bland*

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