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At the boardwalk during the wrong
time of year, handling tea that
went long before you had parked
and watched the teenagers, in
their down-feather jackets, bounce
on the wood planks, walk backward
laugh. Maybe it scared you
to see them the same way
it did me, and when the
wind bit into your cheeks
slid between the gaps of your
fist and knuckles, turning some
flesh indigo, you'll
own the sand, own the
oil tankers and cargo ships
skirting off the horizon.