O what shall I do?

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Soprano

f O what shall I do, or whi-ther shall I turn me? Shall I make

Alto

f O what shall I do, or whi-ther shall I turn me? Shall I make

Bass

f O what shall I do, or whi-ther shall I turn me? Shall I

S

un-to her eyes? shall I make un-to her eyes? O no, they'll burn me!

A

un-to her eyes? shall I make un-to her eyes? O no, they'll burn me! Shall

B

make un - to her eyes? O no, they'll burn me! Shall

S

Shall I seal up my eyes and speak my part? Then in a flood of

A

I seal up my eyes and speak my part?

B

I seal up my eyes and speak my part, and speak my part? Then

S

tears, then in a flood of tears, then in a flood of tears I drown my

A

Then in a flood of tears, then in a flood of tears I drown my

B

in a flood of tears, then in a flood of tears I drown my

S: heart. *mp* For tears being stopped will swell, *f* will swell,

A: heart. *mp* For tears being stopped will swell, *f* will swell,

B: heart. *mp* For tears being stopped will swell, *f* will swell,

S: will swell for

A: will swell for

B: for scope, Though

S: scope, Though they o'er-flow love, life and hope, By beau-ty's

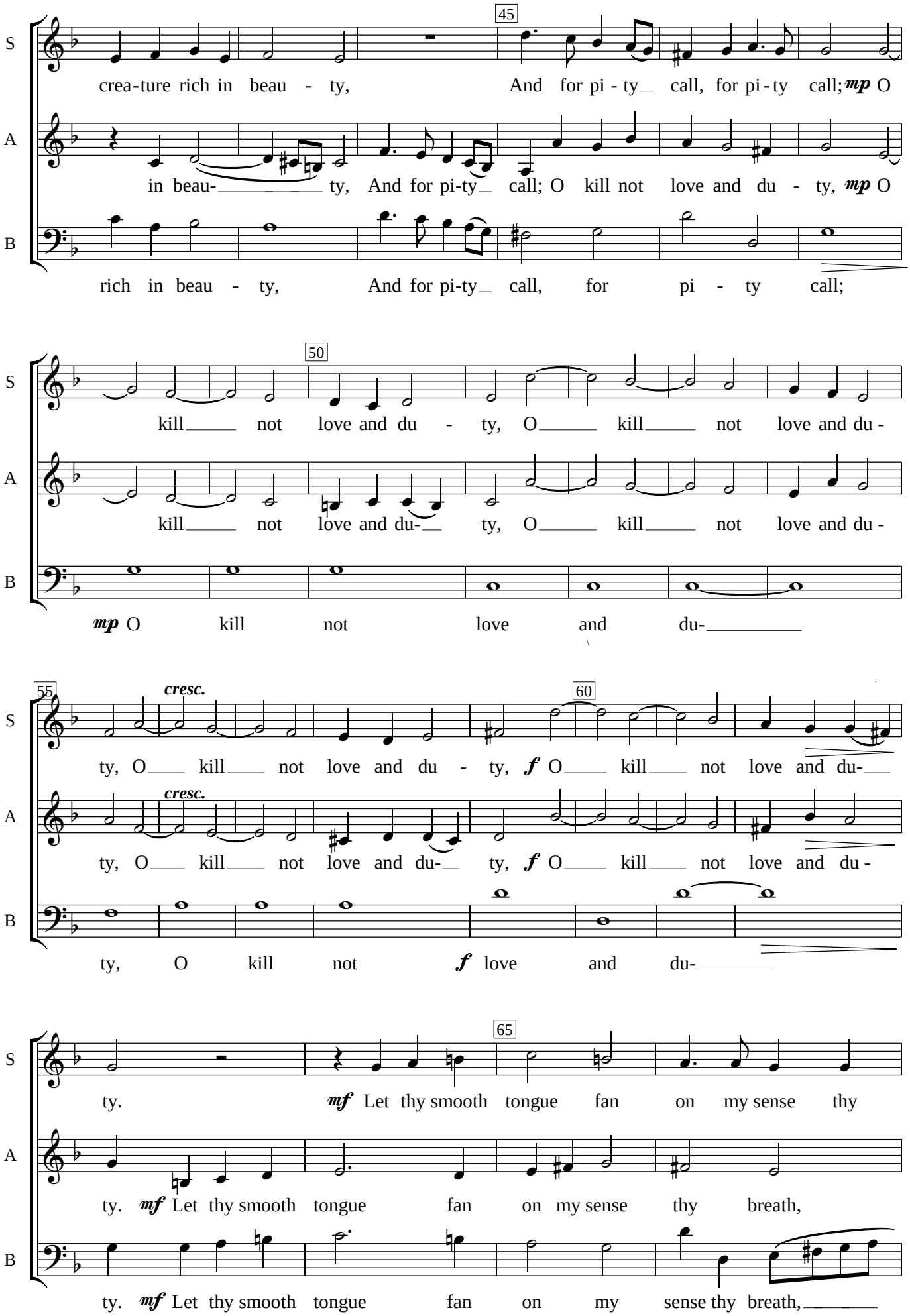
A: scope, Though they o'er-flow love, life love, life and hope, By beau-ty's

B: they o'er - flow love, life and hope, By

S: eye I'll choose to die. *mf* At thy feet I fall, fair

A: eye I'll choose to die, I'll choose to die. *mf* At thy feet I fall, fair crea-ture rich

B: beau - ty's eye I'll choose to die. *mf* At thy feet I fall, fair crea-ture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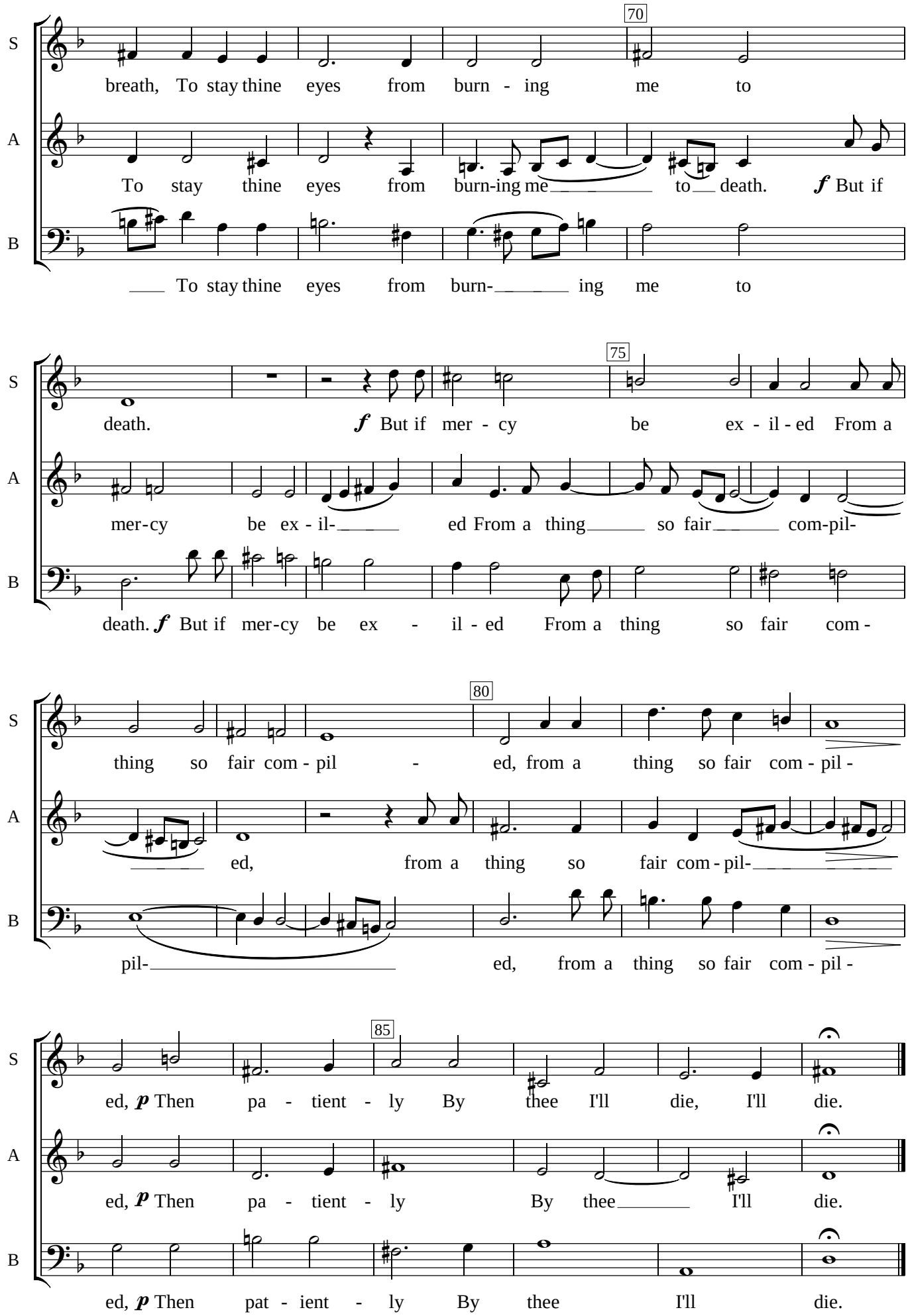
S
crea-ture rich in beau - ty, And for pi - ty call, for pi - ty call; mp O
A
in beau- ty, And for pi-ty call; O kill not love and du - ty, mp O
B
rich in beau - ty, And for pi-ty call, for pi - ty call;
50
S
kill not love and du - ty, O kill not love and du -
A
kill not love and du- ty, O kill not love and du -
B
mp O kill not love and du-
55
cresc.
60
S
ty, O kill not love and du - ty, f O kill not love and du-
A
cresc.
ty, O kill not love and du- ty, f O kill not love and du -
B
ty, O kill not f love and du-
65
S
ty. mf Let thy smooth tongue fan on my sense thy
A
ty. mf Let thy smooth tongue fan on my sense thy breath,
B
ty. mf Let thy smooth tongue fan on my sense thy breath,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S
breath, To stay thine eyes from burn - ing me to
A
To stay thine eyes from burn-ing me to death. f But if
B
To stay thine eyes from burn- ing me to
75
S
death. f But if mer - cy be ex - il - ed From a
A
mer-cy be ex - il- ed From a thing so fair com-pil-
B
death. f But if mer-cy be ex - il - ed From a thing so fair com -
80
S
thing so fair com - pil - ed, from a thing so fair com - pil -
A
ed, from a thing so fair com - pil-
B
pil- ed, from a thing so fair com - pil -
85
S
ed, p Then pa - tient - ly By thee I'll die, I'll die.
A
ed, p Then pa - tient - ly By thee I'll die.
B
ed, p Then pat - ient - ly By thee I'll die.