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By Katherine Hoffman

■ Broad Street, early morning
The dinge-clad
■ shuffle plastic bags,
backs curved
■ on bus stop benches
as I drive down Broad

■ each morning,
■ sunlight greying sidewalk
and sky as the red
■ pawnshop sign
blinks Open

■ I pass them, backlit
■ by warm yellow
coffee shop windows.