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BEATZ

WHO IS THIS ?...WHAT IS HIS STORY?...AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, WHAT ARE HIS POWERS?... READ BEATZ ISSUE #1 TO FIND OUT.



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LAGOS, NIGERIA.

MUSIC, SOUNDS AND VIBRATIONS ARE IN EVERYTHING.

I WONDER HOW PEOPLE SEE THE WORLD...

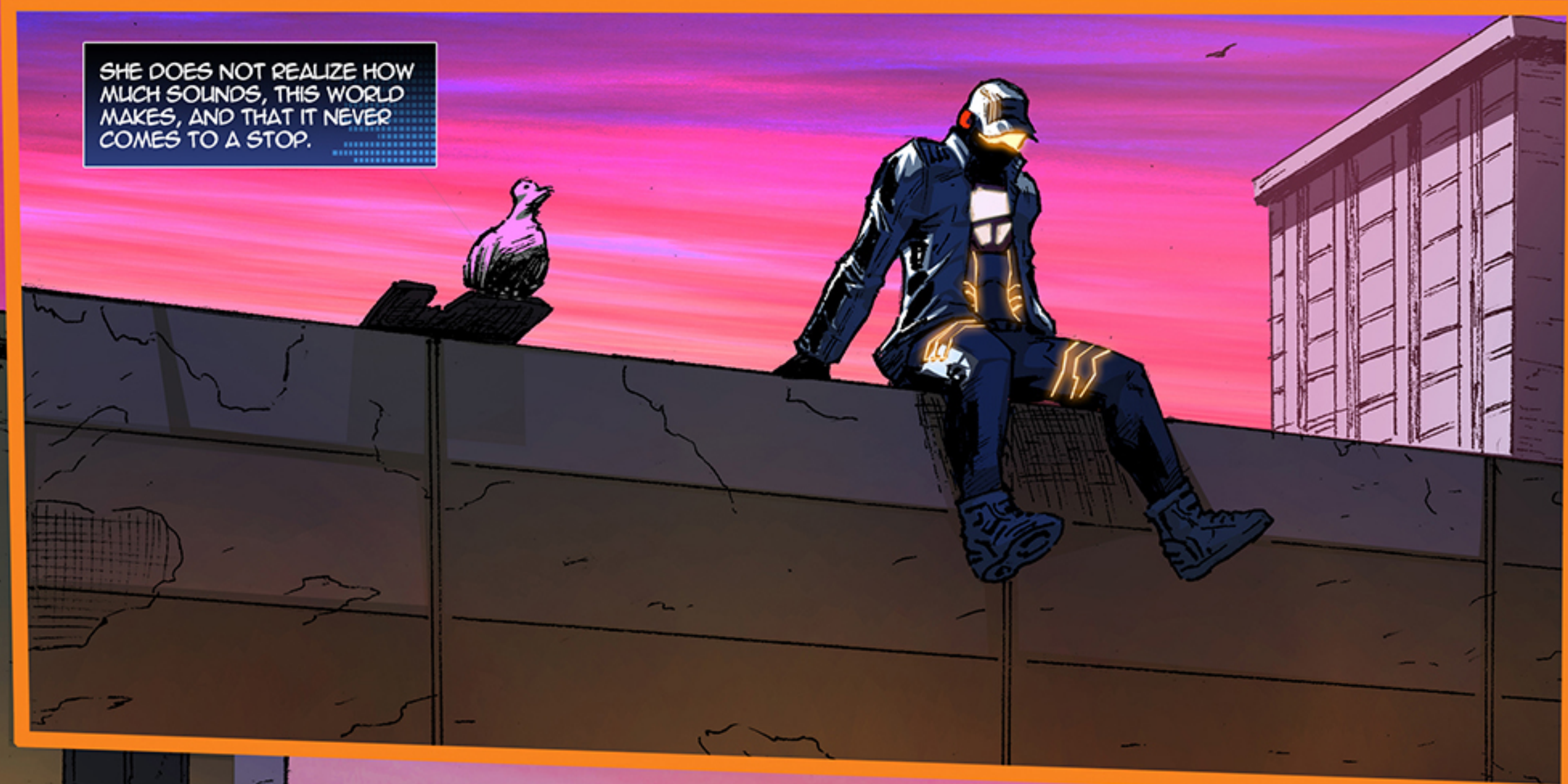


I WONDER IF PEOPLE SEE THE COLORS OF SOUND AS I DO...



SYNESTHESIA, I THINK THAT IS WHAT MY DOCTOR CALLS IT. THE ABILITY TO SEE SOUNDS AS COLORS.

A GIFT, SHE CALLS IT.



SHE DOES NOT REALIZE HOW MUCH SOUNDS, THIS WORLD MAKES, AND THAT IT NEVER COMES TO A STOP.

ALL THROUGHOUT THIS CITY, NATURE AND CIVILIZATION DANCE TO A BEAT.



MOST DISTURBING ARE HEARTBEATS.

BEATS OF FEAR...

THAT IS WHY I CALL MYSELF BEATZ.

WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS?

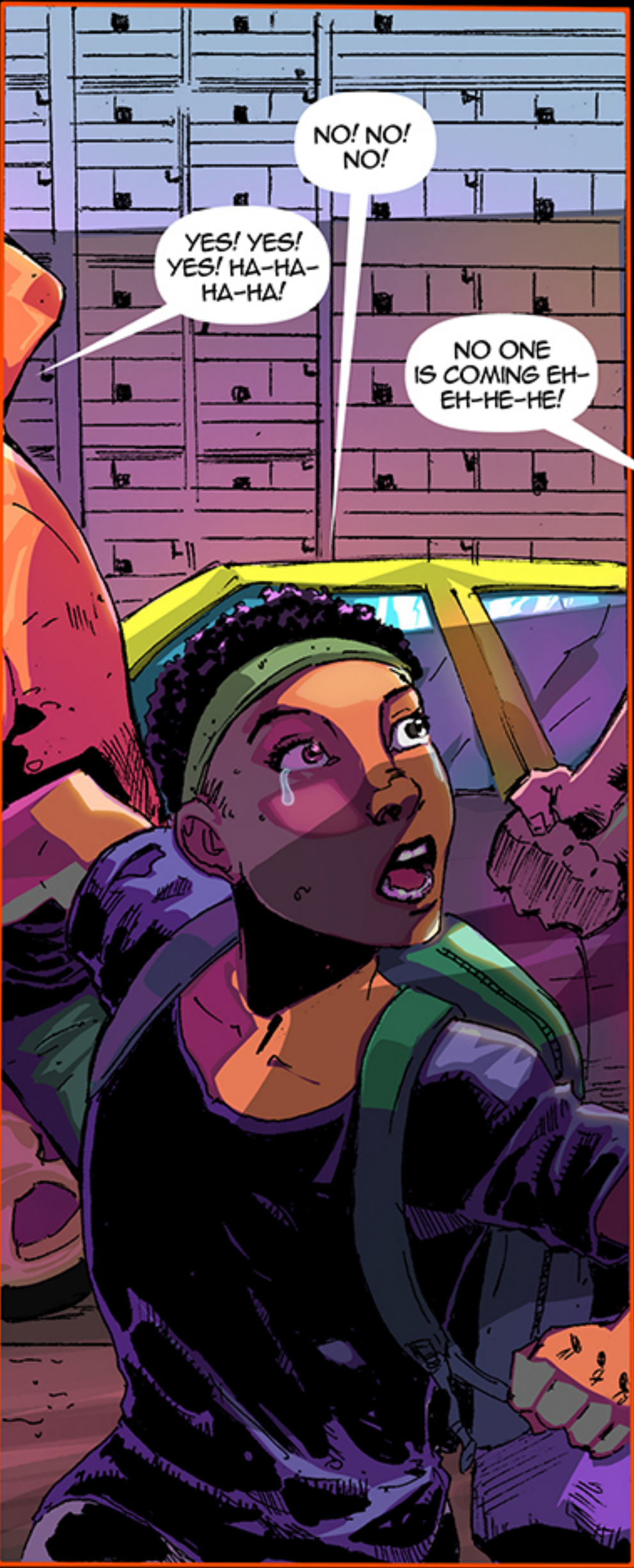
HA-HA-HA-HA-HA!

SOMEONE, ANYONE HELP ME!

THESE GUY'S HAVE BECOME
A PROBLEM. I HAVE BEEN
WATCHING THEM FOR AWHILE.



SOMEONE
HELP ME,
PLEASE!



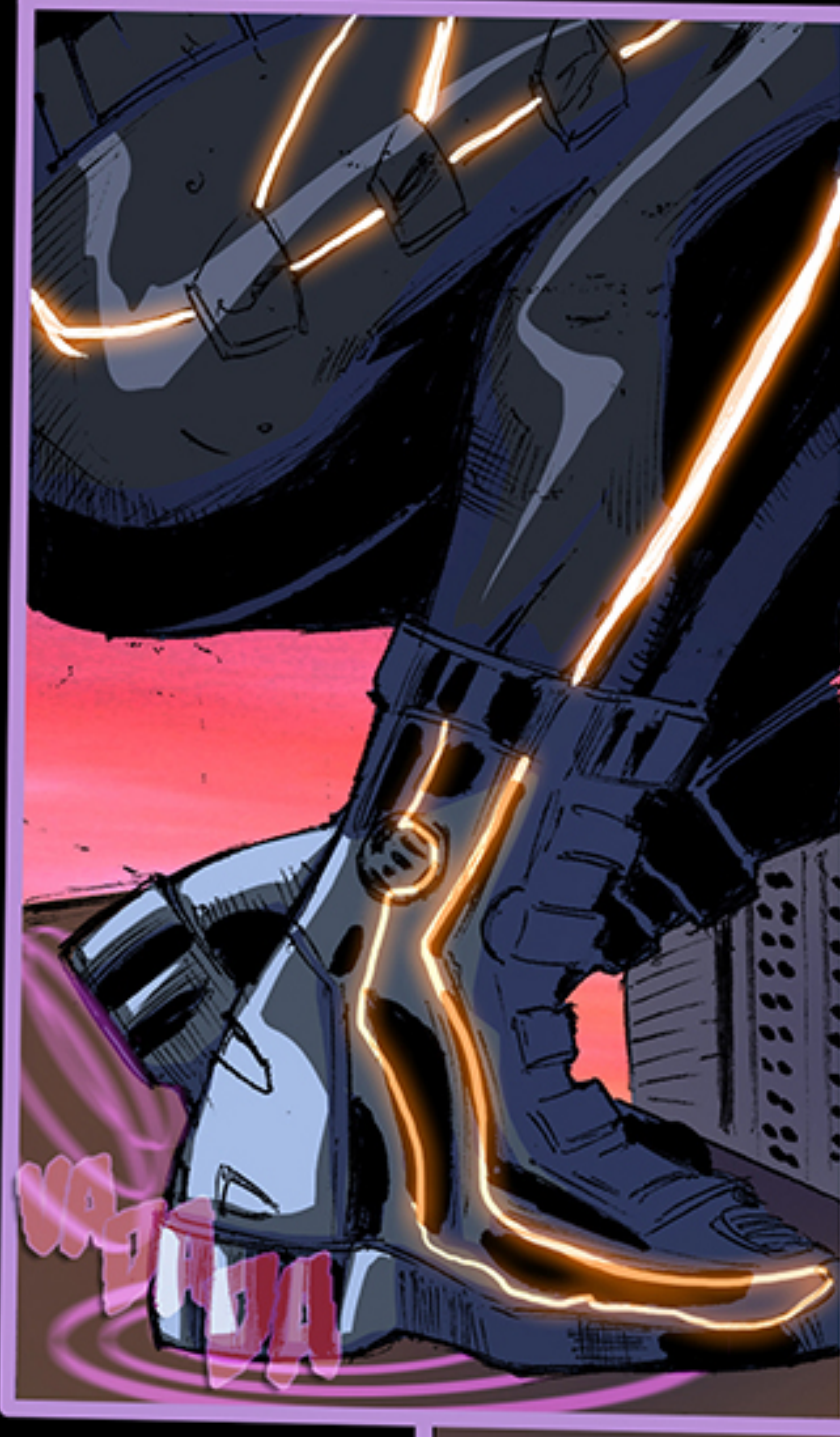
YES! YES!
YES! HA-HA-
HA-HA!

NO! NO!
NO!

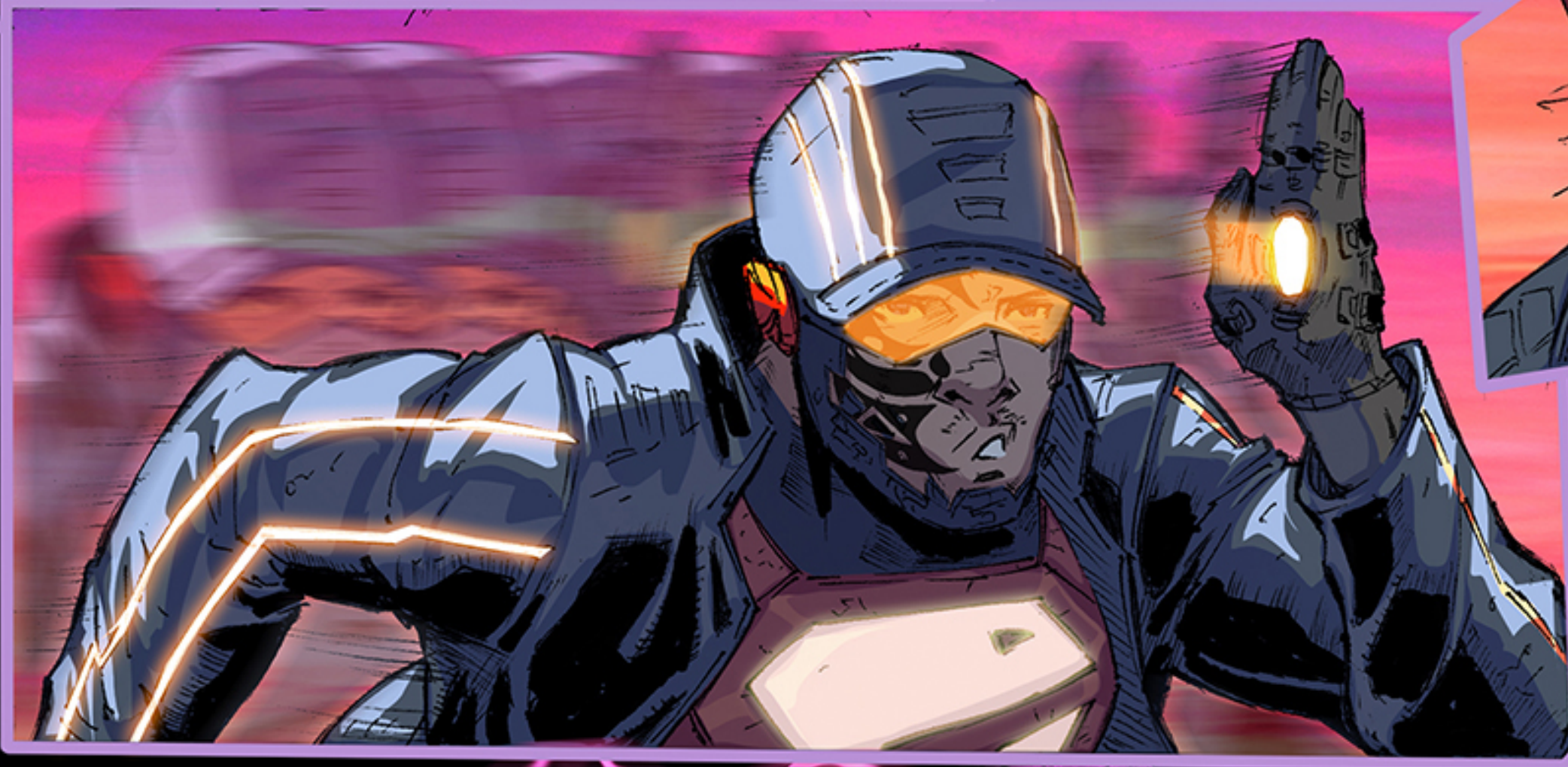
NO ONE
IS COMING EH-
EH-HE-HE!



ERRRRR... THIS IS WHY SOMEONE MUST LISTEN TO THE SOUND OF THIS CITY. TO THE SOUND OF THE INNOCENT, CRYING FOR HELP FROM SCUMBAGS...



AT THE END OF EVERY SOUND, THERE MUST BE A LISTENER...



CONCENTRATE, FOLLOW
THE FLOW OF SOUNDS...

MY SYNESTHESIA, A
CURSE IF YOU ASK ME.

»SIGH«



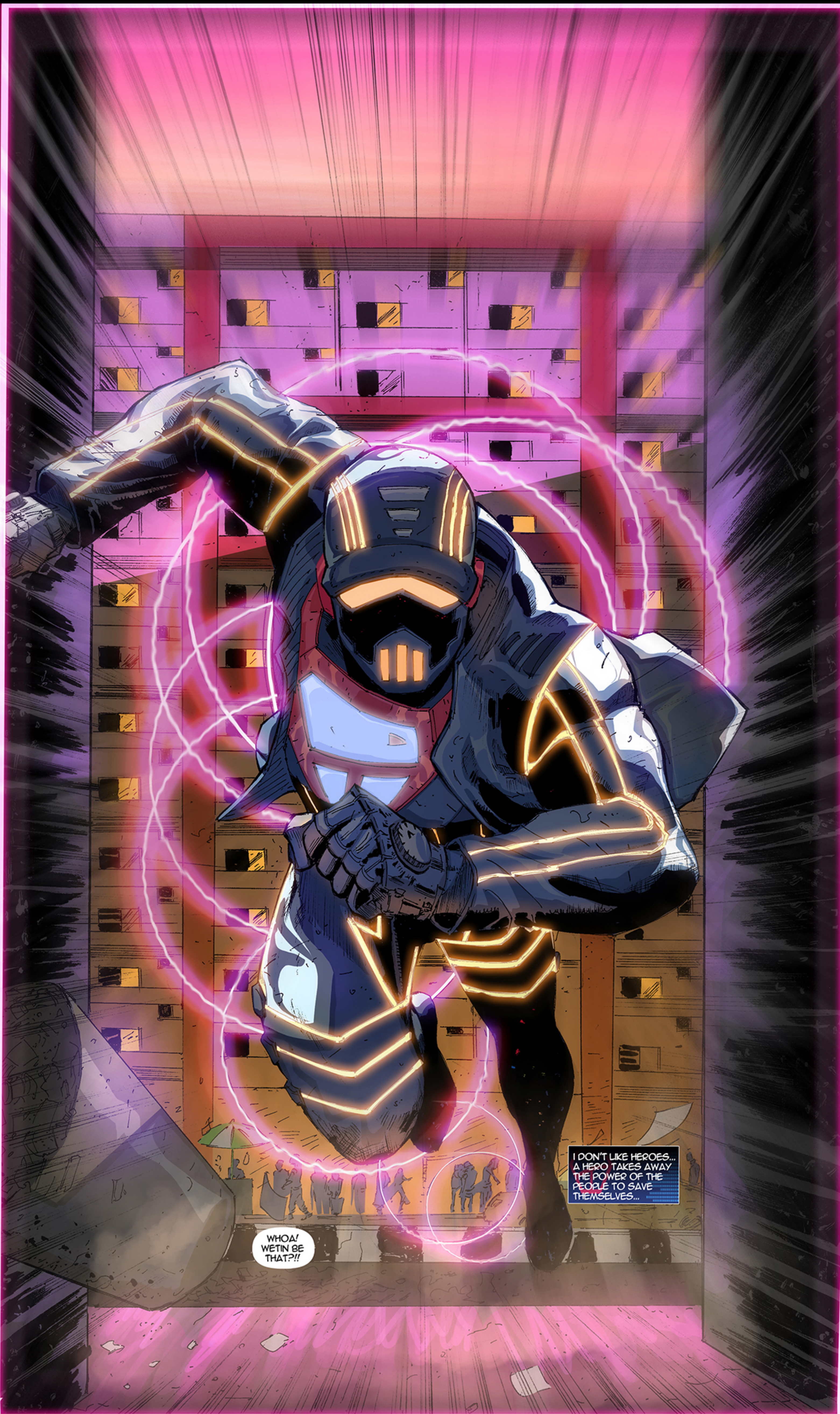
BUT, I HAVE NEVER ALLOWED
MYSELF TO BE CAUGHT UP IN
FEELING PITY FOR MYSELF OR
OTHERS...

WHY?



I AM NO SAVIOR AND
NEITHER WILL I TAKE ON
THE BURDEN OF BEING A
HERO.





WHOA!
WETIN BE
THAT?!!

I DON'T LIKE HEROES...
A HERO TAKES AWAY
THE POWER OF THE
PEOPLE TO SAVE
THEMSELVES...



EHN?!

WHAT?!

ME?



I DON'T WANT TO HELP ANYONE.

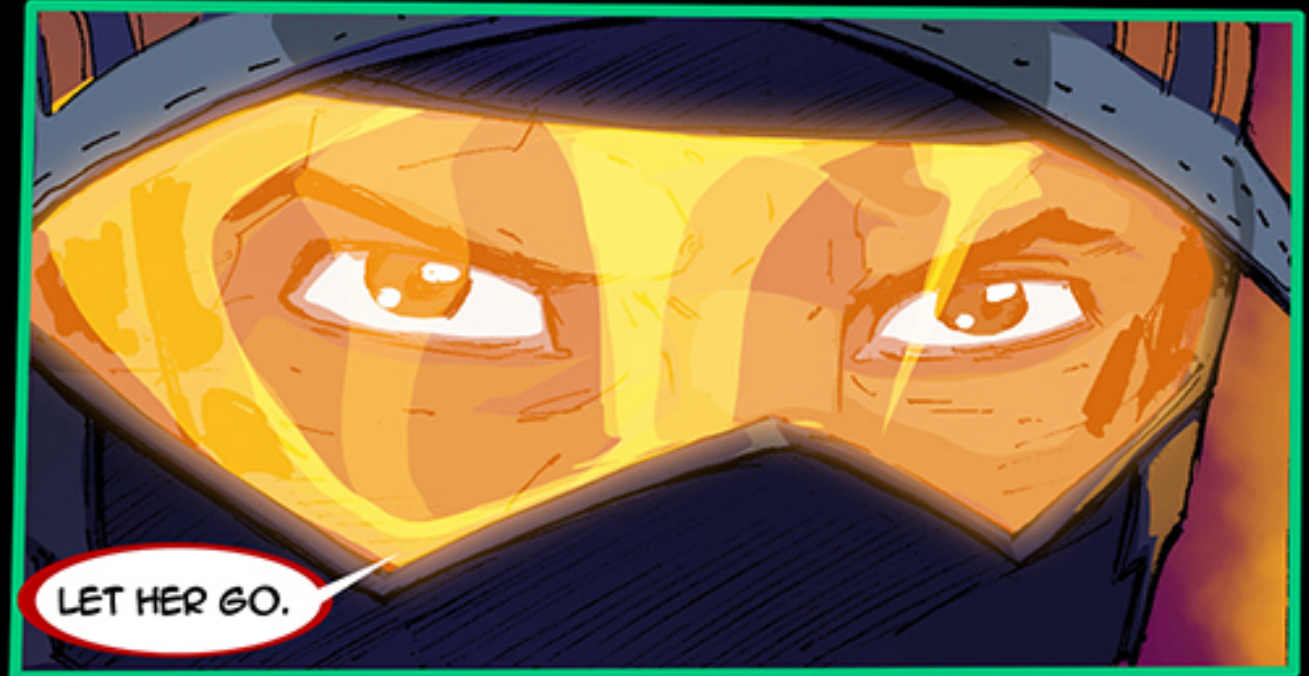


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...I DON'T TRY TO HELP ANYONE.

>GASP< YOU ARE CHOKING ME!





I GO
BREAK YOUR
HEAD!

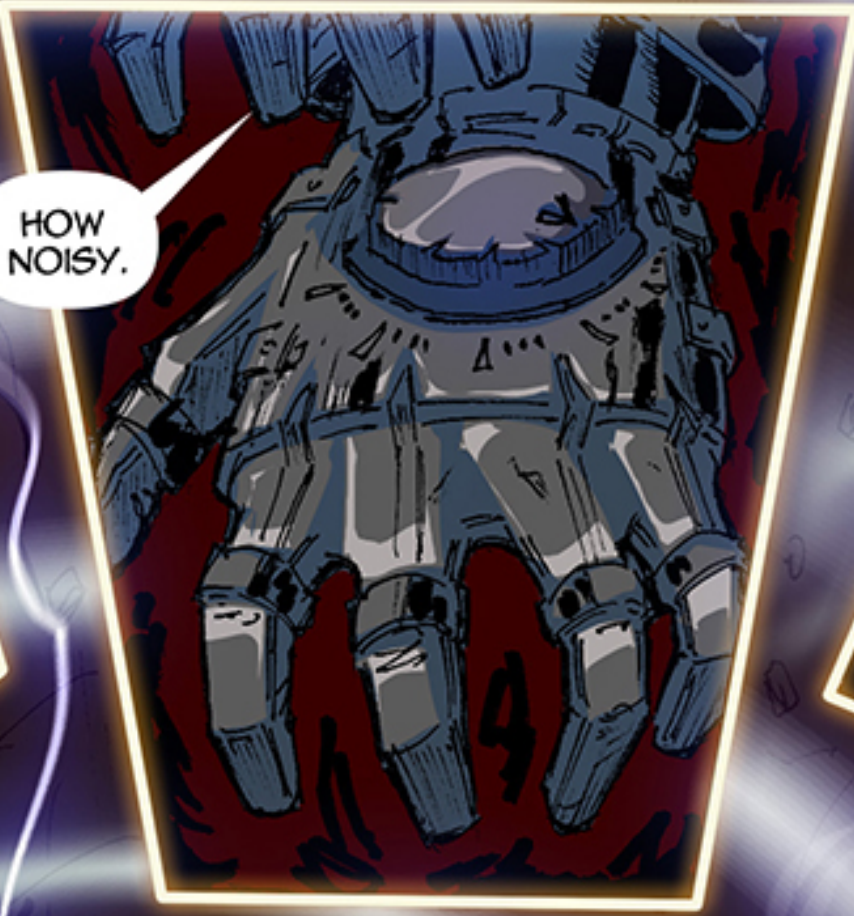
HOW DARE
YOU INVADE
OUR AREA?

SETTING TO
109 DECIBELS,
ENOUGH TO STUN...

BUT WHY AM I HERE
THEN, IF I DON'T
WANT TO HELP
ANYONE?



HOW
NOISY.



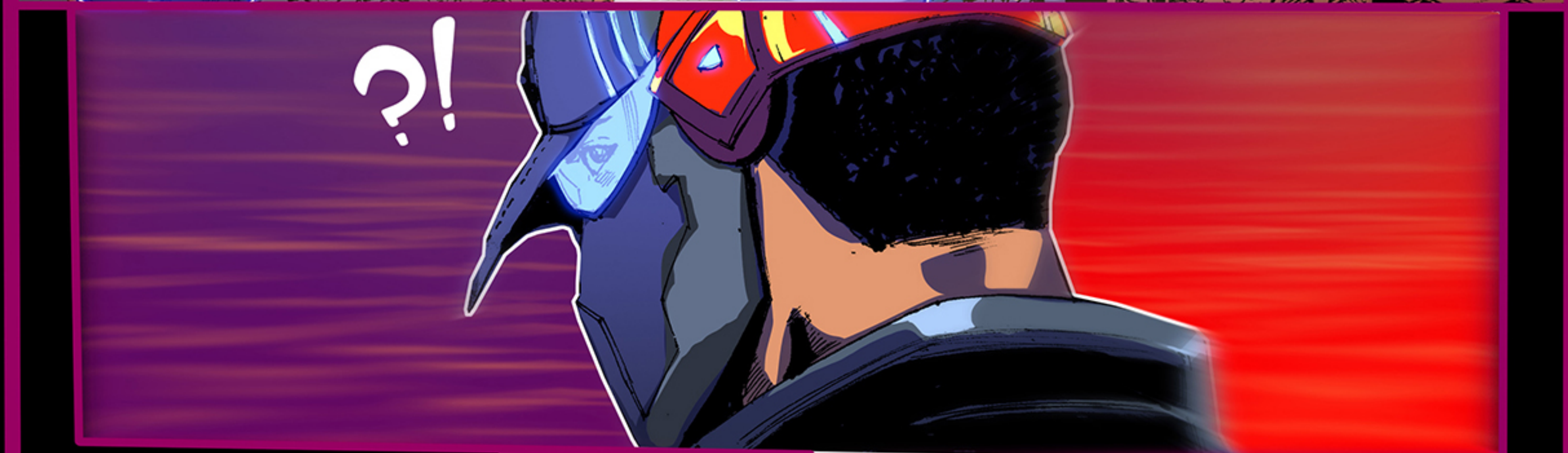
HLIH!

AAAAGH!



EWOOOO!!!

ACTUALLY, I JUST
HATE BULLIES.





SO, IT HAS BEEN YOU?

YOU HAVE BEEN THE ONE INTERFERING WITH OUR OPERATIONS?



YES, IT HAS BEEN ME.



I SHOULD SET TO 115 DECIBELS.

KILL HIM!

THEY WILL NOT BE GETTING UP FOR A WHILE AFTER THIS.



115 DECIBELS.

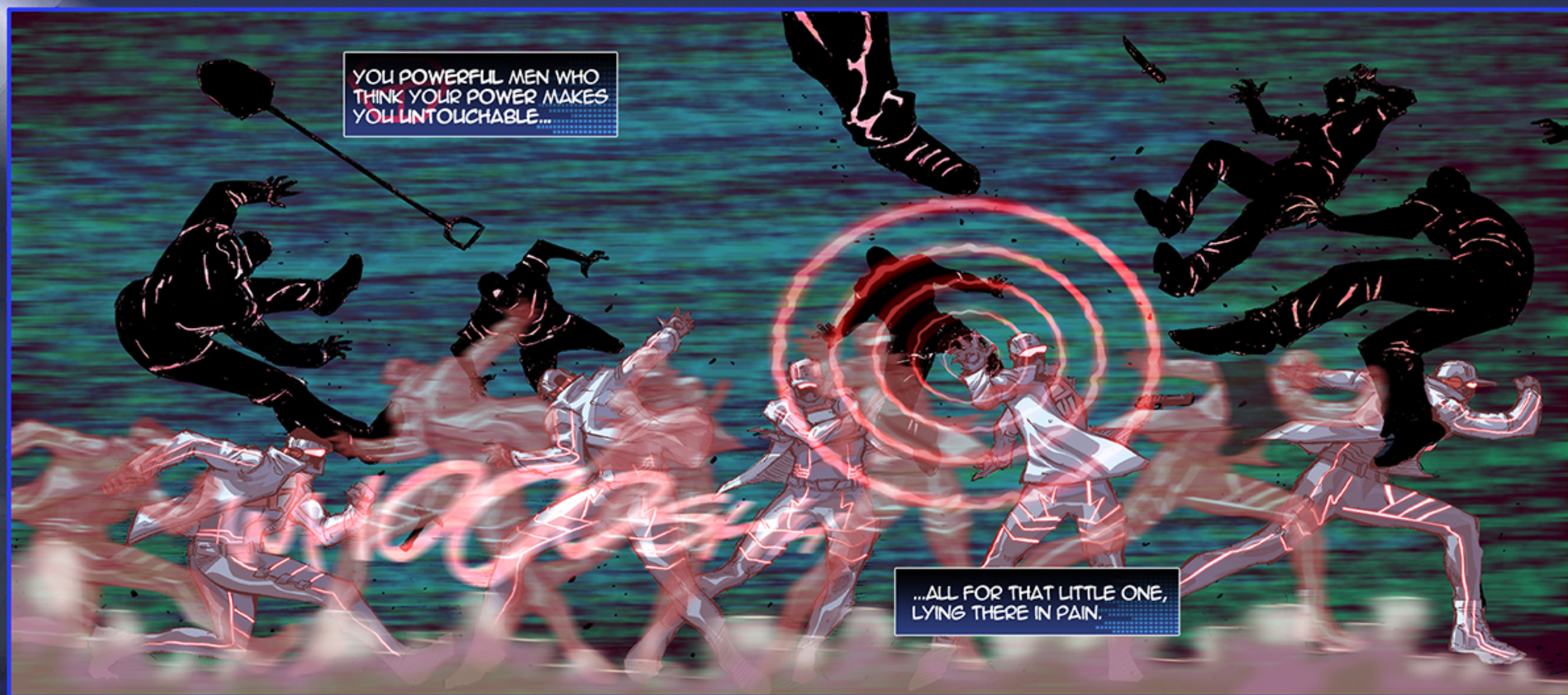


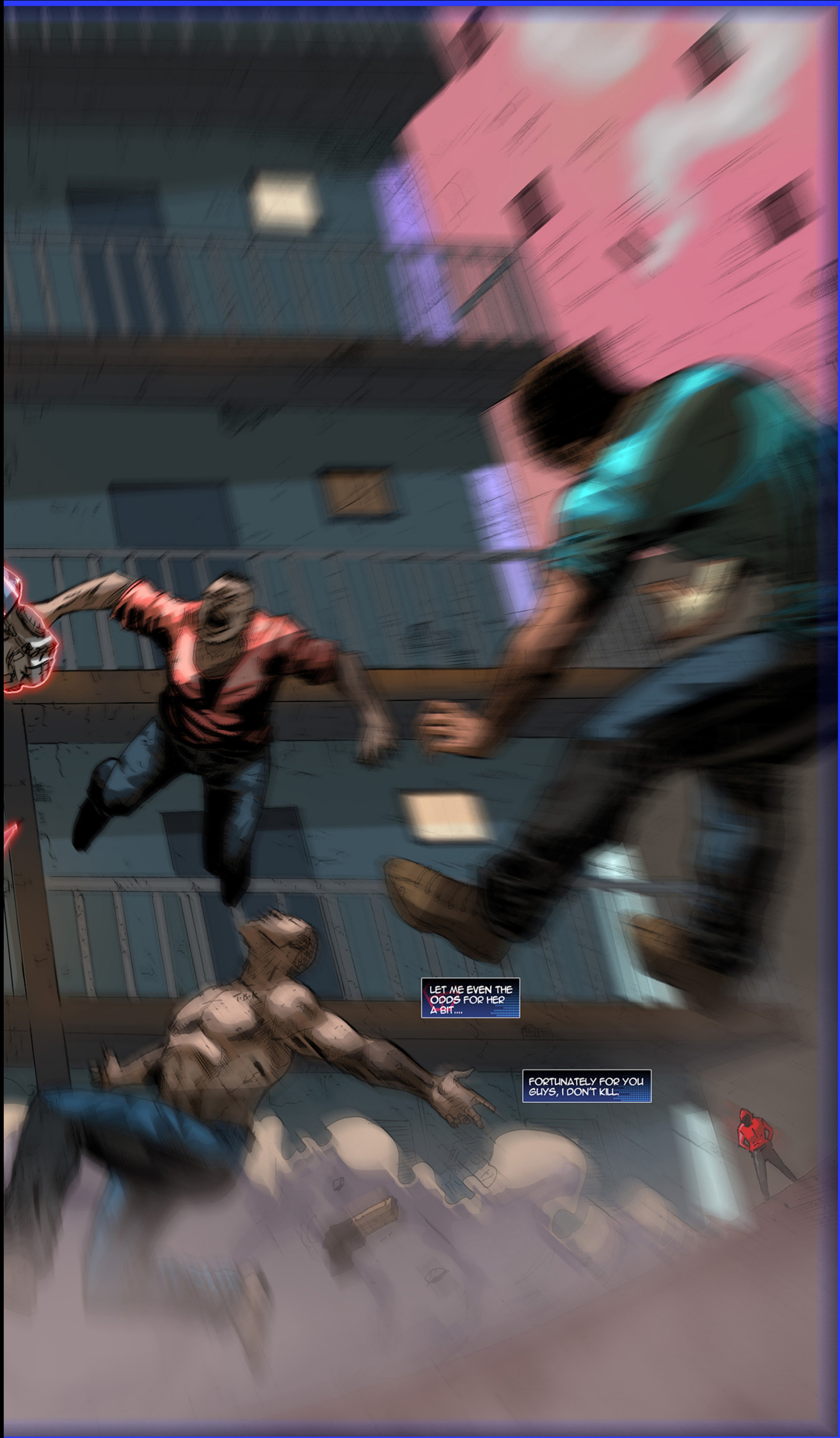
THE USE OF SOUNDWAVES IS AN INTRICATE PROCESS THAT CAN SOONER DESTROY MY TARGET OR MAKE THEM VEGETABLES...

...WHY NOT?



BIG MEN, PICKING ON ONE LITTLE GIRL.





LET ME EVEN THE
ODDS FOR HER
A BIT....

FORTUNATELY FOR YOU
GLYS, I DON'T KILL.

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BULLIES WILL ALWAYS
BE COWARDS.

WAAAM

AAAAGH!

MERCY!
SHOW MERCY!

SETTING TO
100 DECIBELS.



DON'T ASK ME
FOR MERCY...

FEEL HER
PAIN!

AAAAGH!

BOOM

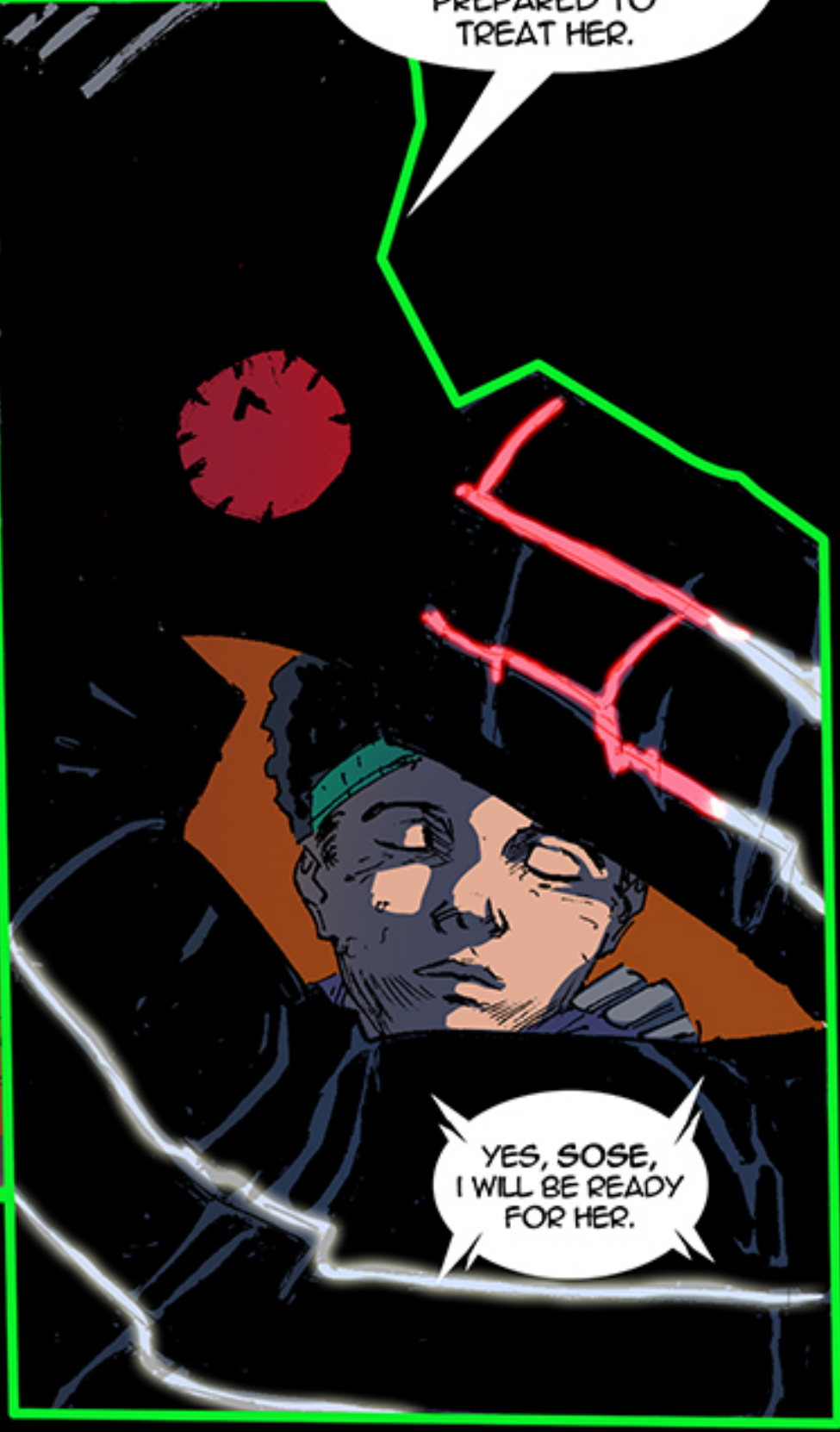




...ASK HER FOR MERCY.

THE BEAT OF HER PULSE PLAYS STRONG. SHE IS A STRONG ONE...

DOC, EMERGENCY! I AM BRINGING IN A BADLY INJURED, LITTLE GIRL. PLEASE BE PREPARED TO TREAT HER.



YES, SOSE, I WILL BE READY FOR HER.



TIME TO GO, LITTLE ONE.

WHIR

WHIR

WHIR



AH FINALLY, THE COPS.

WHIR

WHIR

WHIR




SOUNDWAVES TO PROPEL ME INTO MACH 1.8 MOVEMENT, IS BOTHERSOME.

...BUTTTT WILL GET ME THERE FAST.



AS I SAID BEFORE...

...EVERY SOUND HAS A LISTENER AT THE OTHER END.



RHYTHM IS MY HEART, AND
THE POUNDING SOUND, MY
DESIRE. WHETHER IT IS THE WAVES
OR VIBRATIONS, THEY HAVE
BECOME MY BURDEN.

I AM BEATZ AND I
AM NOT A HERO...
I JUST HATE
BULLIES.

8 MONTHS AGO...
AN ALLEY,
OJODU BERGER,
LAGOS.

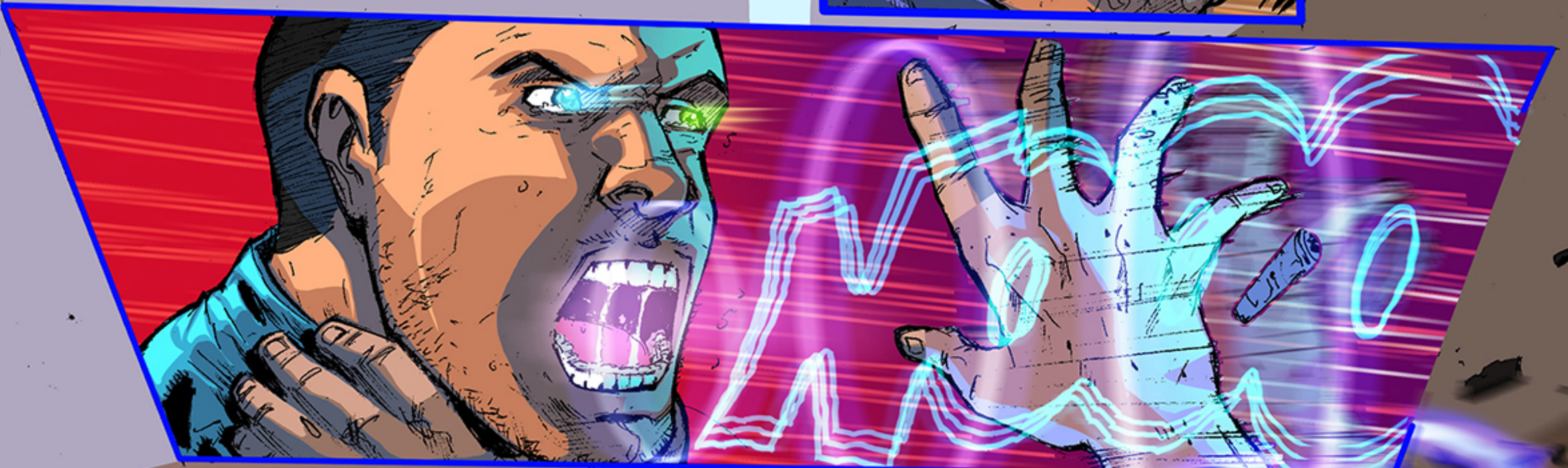
MY LIFE WAS ONCE
A WAVE OF BULLIES
AND DAILY BEATINGS.

PLEASE LET
HIM GO, I WILL GIVE
YOU MY PHONE...
PLEASE!

BREAK
HIS LEGS,
JOR.

SHEBI
YOU BE
RAMBO
BA?

NO--!



WHAT IS
HAPPENING
TO ME?

TO BE CONTINUED...



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