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Kept up, by light from lamps
Lamps set behind to form
silhouettes for the people.
They watch lamps from living rooms.

Came around from light,
A shovel would make space.
In the snow
for people to walk.
They moved

with lamps and unfolded hands
in silhouette
made cold movements. waiting
in rhythm to the snow.
If it were here
but in layers. With leaves hidden underneath.
Forgotten to rake into piles
in backyards to burn
and make smoke
for memories of little kids.

Just shadows from the fire
Hidden in corners of the room.
Crept to the walls and the ceiling and the floor.
Like ribbon of hands wrapping the night
like morning would a bird.