The End Of The Innocence
Chords And Lyrics
By Don Henley

Intro – G-Am- Em-D-C (x2)

G                   C
Remember when the days were long and rolled beneath a deep blue sky
G                   C                   D
Didn't have a care in the world - with mommy and daddy standin' by
G
But happily ever after fails and we've been poisoned by these fairy tales
G                   Em                   C                   D
The lawyers dwell on small details - Since daddy had to fly

Em     Bm     Am
But I know a place where we can go
Em                   C                   D
That's still untouched by men
Em     Bm     Am
We'll sit and watch the clouds roll by
Em                   C                   D
And the tall grass wave in the wind
G                   D                   C
You can lay your head back on the ground
Em     Bm     Am
And let your hair fall all around me
G                     D                   C                   Em                   Bm                   Am
Offer up your best defense - But this is the end
C                   D                   G                   Am                   Em                   D                   C
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O' beautiful for spacious skies - but now those skies are threatening
They're beating plowshares into swords for this tired old man that we elected king
Armchair warriors often fail and we've been poisoned by these fairy tales
The lawyers clean up all details - Since daddy had to lie
But I know a place where we can go - and wash away this sin
We'll sit and watch the clouds roll by and the tall grass wave in the wind
Just lay your head back on the ground and let your hair spill all around me
Offer up your best defense - But this is the end
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Break – Am-Em-D-C .... Am-Em-D-C

Who knows how long this will last
Now we've come so far, so fast
But somewhere back there in the dust
That same small town in each of us
G             C
I need to remember this - So baby give me just one kiss
G           Em     C           D
And let me take a long last look - Before we say goodbye
G             D             C
You can lay your head back on the ground
Em          Bm       Am
And let your hair fall all around me
G             D             C           Em           Bm       Am
Offer up your best defense - But this is the end
C           D           G             Am       Em       D           C
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G-Am-Em-D-C (x2)

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