

OXYDATE

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The voice over intro is heard over black screen, fading in and out with slow mo shots of the actor playing Billy Mays in action.

VOICE OVER: Billy Mays. You know him. From his thick beard to his booming voice, to his oxygen powered commercials. Now get to know Billy Mays as you've never seen him in his new reality series: OXYDATE!

Fade in on a restaurant. PATRONS are seated and eating. BILLY sits at a table alone. THERESA enters, walks up to him. Throughout the scene, the patrons are disturbed by Billy's LOUD voice.

BILLY- HI THERE!

THERESA- Hello.

BILLY- YOU MUST BE THERESA.

THERESA- Yes, and you're--

BILLY- I'M BILLY. BILLY MAYS.

THERESA- *(beginning to feel embarrassed by his voice)* Yeah, I know.

BILLY- YOU LOOK REALLY LOVELY. THAT DRESS IS REALLY HOT ON YOU, SERIOUSLY.

THERESA- Yeah, thanks.

BILLY- WON'T YOU SIT DOWN?

THERESA- Okay.

BILLY- SO KAREN TELLS ME YOU'RE A PARALEGAL.

THERESA- Yes I am.

BILLY- THAT'S GREAT.

THERESA- I think so.

BILLY- I SELL OXYCLEAN.

THERESA- You what?

BILLY- OXYCLEAN! IT'S A DETERGENT THAT CLEANS WITH THE POWER OF OXYGEN.

THERESA- That's... nice.

BILLY- YOU MIGHT HAVE SEEN MY COMMERCIAL ON TV.

THERESA- Sorry, guess I missed it.

BILLY- SEE THIS SHIRT? IT HAD SPAGHETTI AND MOTOR OIL STAINS LAST WEEK. LOOK HOW CLEAN IT CAME.

THERESA- Very nice.

BILLY- YEAH DON'T ASK HOW IT HAPPENED. WHAT MATTERS IS, THE POWER OF OXYGEN GOT IT OUT.

THERESA- Gee, I wonder what's to eat here. Let's see.

BILLY- GOOD IDEA! (*opens menu*) MY, THERE ARE A LOT OF NICE THINGS ON THIS MENU.

THERESA- There certainly are.

BILLY- WHAT ARE YOU HAVING?

THERESA- Any moment now, a migraine.

BILLY- I THINK I MIGHT HAVE THE TACOS.

THERESA- Huh. The enchiladas look good.

BILLY- THE ENCHILADAS ARE GOOD. I LIKE THEM WITH THE GUACAMOLE SAUCE, BUT THEY GIVE ME BAD GAS.

THERESA- Oh my gosh.

BILLY- I HOPE YOU DON'T MIND MY SAYING SO, BUT YOU ARE REALLY SWEET.

THERESA- Really? Thank you.

BILLY- I SAY THAT BECAUSE I WANT YOU TO KNOW I'M NOT LOOKING FOR A ONE NIGHT STAND.

THERESA- Gee, why don't you repeat that a little louder?

BILLY- I'M NOT THE KIND OF GUY THAT CAN SLEEP WITH 'EM AND LEAVE BEFORE THE MORNING.

THERESA- Okay, I get the idea.

BILLY- I'M LOOKING FOR COMMITMENT.

THERESA- Oh no.

BILLY- I'VE BEEN BURNED A FEW TIMES IN MY LIFE, I DON'T MIND TELLING YOU.

THERESA- Haven't we all?

BILLY- LEFT A REALLY BAD STAIN ON MY HEART.

THERESA- I bet.

BILLY- AND I DON'T CARE HOW HARD YOU SCRUB, NOT EVEN THE POWER OF OXYGEN CAN REMOVE A STAIN LIKE THAT.

THERESA- Oh my gosh.

BILLY- BUT I REALLY LIKE YOU, AND I HOPE WE CAN EXPLORE SOMETHING LONG TERM, YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN?

THERESA- I... I need...

BILLY- WHAT? NAME IT, I'LL GET IT FOR YOU.

THERESA- I need some oxygen!

(Girl leaves.)

BILLY- WELL WITH OXYCLEAN YOU'VE GOT— OH, I SEE. THAT KIND OF OXYGEN. WELL, BILLY, THAT'S THAT. NOT THE FIRST TIME. SADLY, PROBABLY NOT THE LAST. WHEN WILL IT EVER END?

(BECA walks up to the table.)

BECA- EXCUSE ME, SIR. I COULDN'T HELP OVERHEARING. I'M REALLY SORRY SHE LEFT YOU LIKE THAT.

BILLY- IT'S OKAY. I'M USED TO IT.

BECA- IF YOU ASK ME, IT'S HER LOSS. SHE'S MISSING OUT ON A GREAT GUY.

BILLY- REALLY?

BECA- SURE. I LOVE ALL YOUR COMMERCIALS. YOU'RE SO TALENTED.

BILLY- THANK YOU.

BECA- YOU'RE HANDSOME AND BRIGHT, AND YOU HAVE A SOFT, GENTLE VOICE.

BILLY- MOST GIRLS HATE MY VOICE. THEY SAY IT'S TOO LOUD.

BECA- WOW, THAT'S PROBABLY WHY I CAN HEAR IT. YOU SEE, I'M HARD OF HEARING.

(They have a moment, looking into each other's eyes... it's LOVE!)

BILLY- SO WHAT'S YOUR NAME?

BECA- BECA.

BILLY- NICE TO MEET YOU. WHAT DO YOU DO FOR A LIVING?

BECA- I WORK THE COUNTER AT THE BMV.

BILLY- I SELL OXYCLEAN.

BECA- I KNOW!

(Fade out.)