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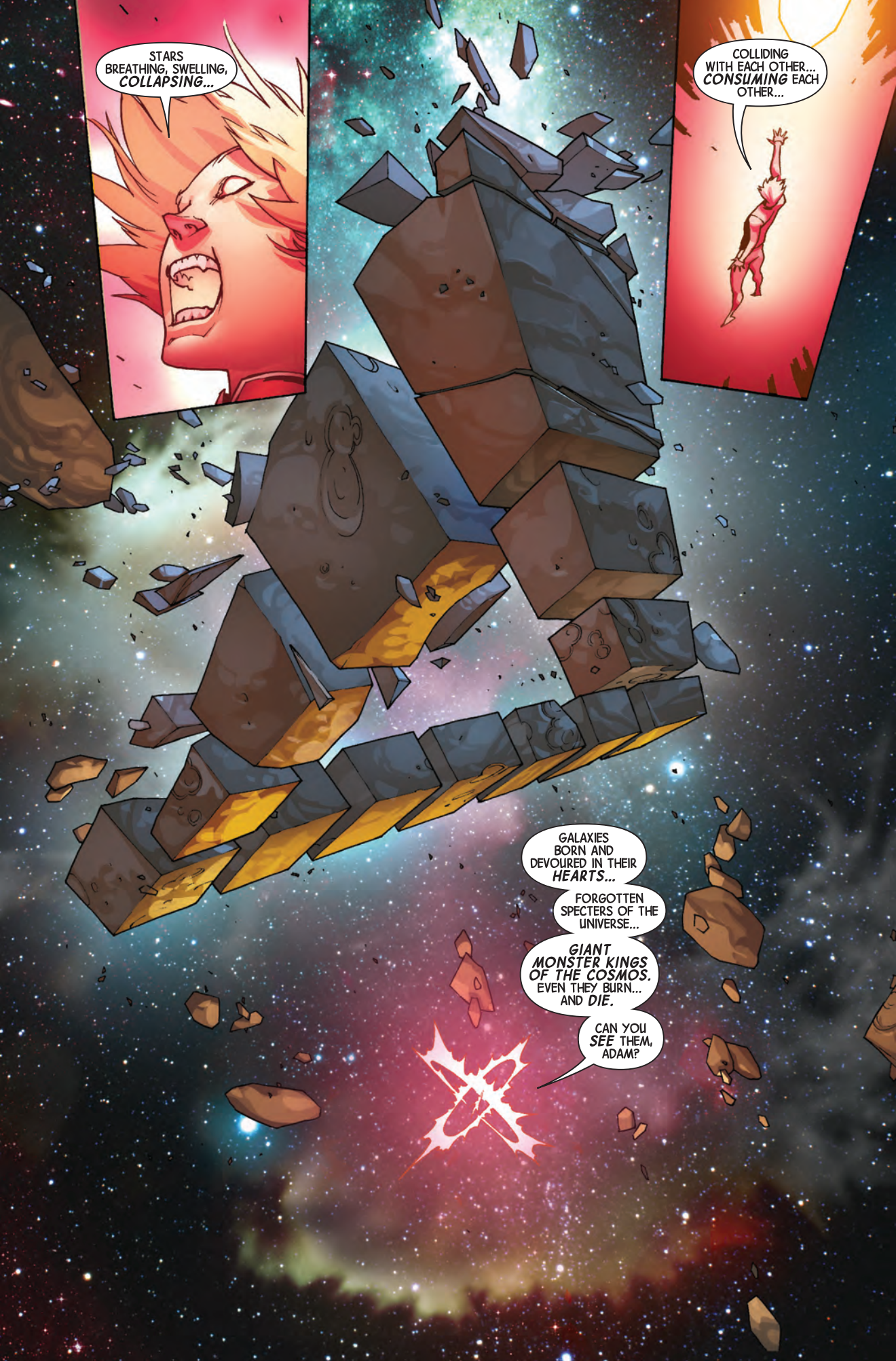
GILSTRAP, SOUTH CAROLINA.
101 DEGREES FAHRENHEIT.
YOU STAY COOL TODAY, PATRICIA!
I'LL TRY! A HUNDRED DEGREES IN JANUARY? THIS HEAT WAVE IS A MESSAGE FROM ABOVE. AND THAT MESSAGE IS--
THE MESSAGE IS...
BURN IN FIRE.
PERISH IN FIRE.
DIE IN FIRE!
KOLOBUS. KOLOBUS--!
PATRICIA--!
STOP HER!

"SOMEBODY STOP HER!"
AVENGERS TOWER.
GRAAAAAGH--
NIGHTMASK?
ADAM?!
YOU OKAY? IS THIS LIKE...A DOCTOR THING? OR IS IT A DOCTOR STRANGE THING?
NEITHER.
I WAS CREATED TO DETECT THREATS TO THE EARTH, BUT THIS IS...IT'S LIKE COSMIC FEEDBACK. LIKE SCREAMING.
I DO NOT KNOW WHAT IT IS, SPIDER-WOMAN--BUT I KNOW WHERE IT IS MANIFESTING.
IT'S JESSICA, FOR THE HUNDREDTH TIME.
SHOULD WE BE WORRIED?
I DO NOT KNOW.
THIS ANCIENT RADIATION...IS ALMOST UNKNOWN ON EARTH. IT IS BORN OF THE DEPTHS OF SPACE, LIKE MYSELF.
I ASK FOR LEAVE TO INVESTIGATE.
THIS ISN'T A DORM ROOM AFTER CURFEW, ADAM. YOU CAN COME AND GO AS YOU PLEASE.
JUST CALL US IF YOU NEED HELP, YEAH?
OH, WAIT--
DO US ALL A FAVOR: TAKE STARBRAND WITH YOU.
BECAUSE, SERIOUSLY--

"--THAT KID IS GETTING REALLY WEIRD."
I CAN SEE--
EVERYTHING.


STARS BREATHING, SWELLING, COLLAPSING...
COLLIDING WITH EACH OTHER... CONSUMING EACH OTHER...
GALAXIES BORN AND DEVOURED IN THEIR HEARTS...
FORGOTTEN SPECTERS OF THE UNIVERSE...
GIANT MONSTER KINGS OF THE COSMOS. EVEN THEY BURN... AND DIE.
CAN YOU SEE THEM, ADAM?