

GREAT LAKES AVENGERS HQ, DETROIT. PRESENT DAY.

STARK ASSEMBLY ROOM

ARE YOU SURE A NEW MEMBER IS SUCH A GOOD IDEA? I MEAN, YOU REMEMBER WHAT HAPPENED WITH DINAH SOAR, AND GRASS-HOPPER, AND LEATHER BOY, AND MONKEY JOE...

SHHH! KEEP YOUR VOICE DOWN! DO YOU WANT TO FREAK THE POOR KID OUT? BESIDES, WHAT ABOUT **SQUIRREL GIRL**, HUH? LOOK HOW WELL **SHE'S** DOING!

CRIME MONITOR



DO YOU REALLY THINK THIS...UM, WHAT ARE WE CALLING HER AGAIN?

GOOD BOY.

--I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING SO CUTE, HAVE YOU? IN OTHER NEWS, DETROIT'S FIRST EVER "SUPER-TEAM," THE GREAT LAKES AVENGERS, ARE OFF TO A ROCKY START...

"GOOD BOY"?

HER IDEA. SHE SAYS HER FURSONA IS A DUDE.

HER WHAT?

HAVEN'T YOU HEARD OF THE INTERNET?

UH, GUYS? YOU MIGHT WANNA CHECK THIS OUT!

ACCORDING TO RECENT REPORTS, THE GREAT LAKES AVENGERS HAVE BEEN SERVED WITH AN INJUNCTION FROM THE CITY OF DETROIT, BARRING THEM FROM "SUPER HERO ACTIVITY" UNTIL THE CITY HAS TIME TO ASSESS THEIR CAPABILITIES TO ADEQUATELY SERVE THE COMMUNITY.

THE INJUNCTION AGAINST THE TEAM COMES AT AN INOPPORTUNE TIME FOR THE CITY, AS THE RECENT SPIKE IN SUPER VILLAIN CRIME HAS MANY LONGTIME RESIDENTS FRIGHTENED.

CITY COUNCILMAN DICK SNERD ISSUED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT TO THE PRESS EARLIER THIS MORNING...





THE LAST THING OUR CITY NEEDS IS MORE BIG GOVERNMENT INTERFERENCE. WE DIDN'T ASK FOR A SUPER HERO TEAM, AND I'M NOT ABOUT TO LET ANYBODY, NOT THE FEDS, NOT THE AVENGERS, DECIDE THAT WE NEED TO BE POLICED LIKE A BUNCH OF COMMON CRIMINALS.

THE CITY WILL CONDUCT ITS OWN INVESTIGATION INTO THE NECESSITY OF A SUPER HERO TEAM AND WE WILL REACH OUR OWN CONCLUSIONS. UNTIL THAT TIME, WE WILL NOT LET COSTUMED HEROES RUN FREE AROUND OUR CITY!

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WHAT ARE WE GONNA DO?

I'M-- I'M NOT SURE!

I'LL CALL CONNIE! SHE'LL KNOW WHAT TO DO! GOOD OL' RELIABLE CONNIE FERRARI, OUR TEAM'S LAWYER AND DE FACTO LIAISON TO THE AVENGERS!

I DON'T KNOW WHY I SAID THAT, I'M JUST VERY NERVOUS.



HELLO? HELLO?

HOW DO YOU DIAL OUT ON THIS THING?

YOU HAVE TO PRESS *#9* FIRST.



YOU DIDN'T DRINK MY MILK, DID YOU? I WANTED TO MAKE A BATIDO.

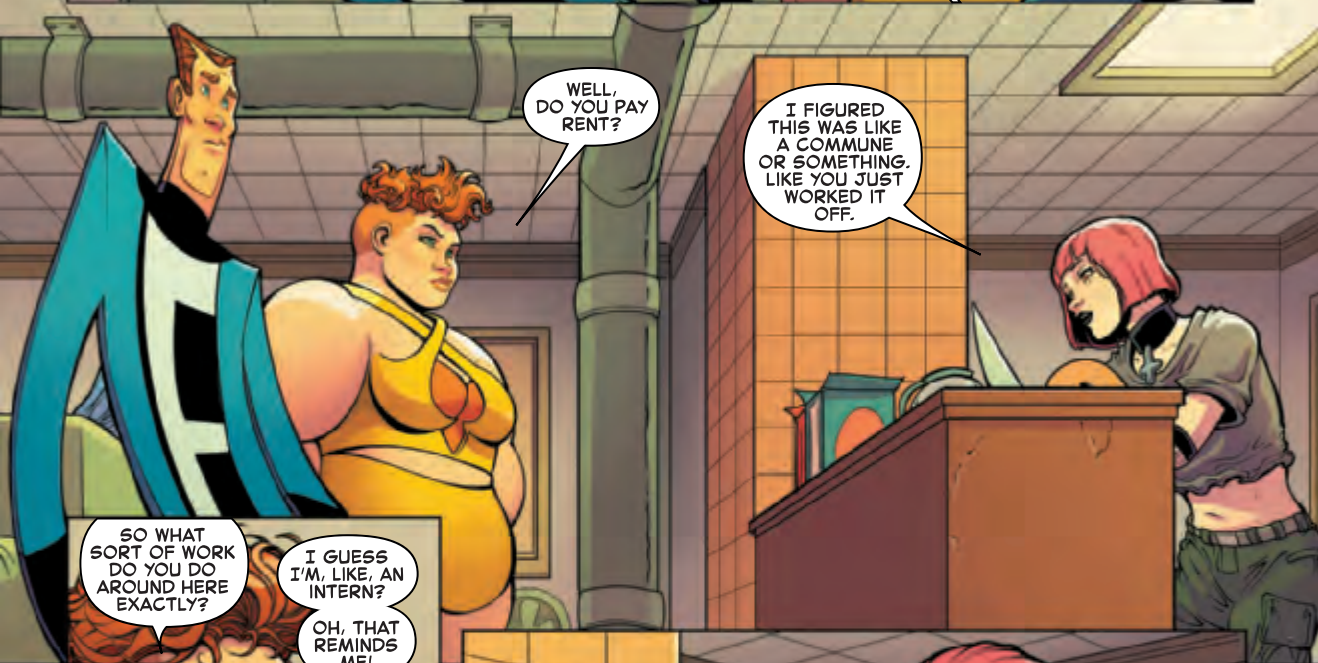
UH, WHAT?

IT'S LIKE A CUBAN MILKSHAKE. NEVER MIND. FOUND IT.



UM, DO YOU LIVE HERE NOW, PANSY?

I GUESS.



WELL, DO YOU PAY RENT?

I FIGURED THIS WAS LIKE A COMMUNE OR SOMETHING. LIKE YOU JUST WORKED IT OFF.

SO WHAT SORT OF WORK DO YOU DO AROUND HERE EXACTLY?

I GUESS I'M, LIKE, AN INTERN?

OH, THAT REMINDS ME!

THERE'S A GUY WANDERING AROUND HERE LOOKING FOR YOU. MEDIUM HEIGHT. KINDA BASIC. HAS HAIR THAT LOOKS LIKE THE GUY IN THAT MOVIE ABOUT SURFERS WHO ROB A BANK?

PATRICK SWAYZE...



PERSONALLY, THOUGH, I PREFER ROAD HOUSE.