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The Cancerverse, a realm where nothing can die, has invaded the Negative Zone! Intent on consuming all life, the invasion wave has infected the local denizens and forced rivals Annihilus and Blastaar to band together to fight the oncoming scourge. However, their forces were soon overrun when the Avengers, Cancerverse's Avengers, arrived on the battlefield.

As Blastaar struggled to hold the final line of defense against the Cancerverse's spread, Annihilus made a desperate play and escaped to the Positive Zone to seek help. But all hope seemed lost when the leader of the Cancerverse forces arrived--the Sentry!

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DREAM OF THE
NEGATIVE
ZONE.

NNAHHH!!!

I WAKE UP
IN A COLD
SWEAT.

THE
HUMAN
TORCH
DOESN'T
GET COLD
SWEATS.



BUT WHEN YOU DIE AND GET BROUGHT BACK SO MANY TIMES YOU LOSE COUNT IN THE NEGATIVE ZONE...

...AND THE WAY THEY BRING YOU BACK IS **WORMS KNITTING YOUR FLESH...**

LET'S JUST SAY IT LEAVES BAD ECHOES.



LUCKILY, I'M HOME NOW.

AND MY FAVORITE DISTRACTION FROM BAD STUFF IN THE HEAD IS CURRENTLY SNORING AWAY IN THE BARCALOUNGER.



ALMOST **TWO YEARS,** NEGATIVE ZONE TIME...

FIGHTING. DYING. AGAIN AND AGAIN.



NAH. DON'T THINK ABOUT THAT.

THINK ABOUT **THE THING...**

...AND THE WORK OF ART YOU'RE CREATING ON HIS FACE.

THINK ABOUT
THE FACT THAT
YOU **BROKE**
FREE...SWIPE
THE COSMIC
CONTROL
ROD OUT
FROM UNDER
ANNIHILUS'
NOSE...



...AND **TOOK**
COMMAND OF THE
ANNIHILATION WAVE.*

AND
IF THAT
DOESN'T
WORK...

*SEE FANTASTIC
FOUR #600! --DS



...THINK ABOUT HOW
STEAMED BEN'S GONNA
BE WHEN HE WAKES--

SNURF?



WHY, YOU
LITTLE--

I'M GONNA
MOIDERIZE YA! I'M
GONNA STUFF THIS HAT
UP YER FLAMIN'--

HEY!
YOU'RE
SUPPOSED
TO BE
JOLLY!



AND ALL IS
WELL WITH THE
WORLD AGAIN.

BONK

SUSAN'S RIGHT.
WE'RE PICKING UP A
DISTRESS CALL FROM
THE NEGATIVE ZONE
PORTAL.

THE NEGATIVE
ZONE? REED, NOTHING
GOOD *EVER* CAME OUT
OF THE NEGATIVE ZONE.
WHY WOULD YOU
OPEN IT?

THIS IS A
MAYDAY FROM
SOME **KESTORANS**.
WE'VE MET THEM
BEFORE--THEY'RE
FRIENDLY.

AND THEY
SOUND UTTERLY
TERRIFIED.

BUT JOHNNY'S
RIGHT. WE HAVE TO
BE READY FOR
ANYTHING. SO
STAND BY.

PORTAL
OPENING IN
THREE...TWO...
ONE...

Ummmmmmmm

FWAAASH

THANK YOU,
REED RICHARDS! A
GREAT EVIL CONSUMES
OUR UNIVERSE. THE
HUNGRY DEATH THAT
WILL NOT DIE!

THERE...
THERE'S SO
MANY OF
THEM...

WHAT'S
HAPPENED?

LORD
ANNIHILUS HAS
FLED. WE ARE ALONE.
THE NEGATIVE ZONE
WILL SOON BE
CONSUMED.

THERE
IS BUT ONE
WHO CAN DELIVER
US. ONLY ONE
WHOSE MASTERY
OF THE NEGATIVE
ZONE CAN UNITE
THE TRIBES AND
STAVE OFF THE
INVADERS.

ON BEHALF OF
ALL RACES OF OUR
REALM, I BESEECH
YOU...SAVE US...

...JOHNNY
STORM!