AN IM-PAW-SIBLE REUNION

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INT. CHILD'S BEDROOM - DAY

SAMMY (5), messy hair and wearing a jacket covered with a little too much snot, sits on her bed with astronaut themed sheets, wallowing in sadness.

Suddenly her ears perk up as she hears barking coming from inside her closet.

Sammy races to the closet and flings open the doors. Before she can react, a small Weiner dog, KEVIN, runs out of the closet...except Kevin looks a little abnormal.

Kevin is slightly translucent and a little pale, but is lively as ever. He leaps onto Sammy's bed, panting.

Despite his ghostly state, Sammy is unfazed and beams with joy. She runs to the bed and jumps hoping to steal a hug as she lands, except her arms simply run right through him.

Kevin can't be touched.

Puzzled, the two look at each other until Sammy lights up with a new idea.

INT. KITCHEN - DAY

Music plays - upbeat, montage style, like "Do You Believe in Magic" by the Lovin' Spoonful

Sammy balances precariously on a chair as she reaches into the cupboard above the sink. She grabs a sack of dog treats with one hand and pulls down a giant bag of dog food with the other. It spills with a thud onto the floor.

Kevin goes crazy with excitement and runs over to the side with a little mat. There's still a circular impression where his bowl must have been not too long ago.

Taking a heap far too large for such a small dog, Sammy attempts to dump it where his bowl used to be as Kevin tries to catch it midair.

The kibble falls through the pup.

Sammy tries a few attempts to scoop kibble and feed it to Kevin but all of it goes right through him (quite literally). She runs through the motions of some of Kevin's tricks - all the greatest hits, sit, stay, roll over - and tosses him treats. It still proves unsuccessful.

The floor is a mess and Kevin looks hungry.

She looks at him apologetically until she lights up with another idea.

EXT. BACKYARD - DAY

Sammy holds a bone attempting to play fetch with Kevin. She throws the bone which Kevin chases after but ultimately can't pick up. Still, she's content to have her favorite furry friend back and simply runs to grab the bone where she through it.

After teasing the four legged friend, Sammy winds up to throw the bone once more.

CRASH! The bone hits a window to the house which cracks...

Sammy shoots Kevin a side eye as if he could've helped the situation.

Still, broken windows are the least of her worries as she spots a garden hose.

EXT. BACKYARD - DAY - MOMENTS LATER

Sammy is waving the garden hose around, carelessly. Water flies all of the yard and Kevin happily chases the stream, trying to bite the water.

Her clothes are covered in mud, created from the pricey water bill she's made with this game.

Kevin begins to run away from the water playfully while Sammy tries to aim it towards him.

He runs through her legs quickly. Sammy with cat-like reflexes spins around. Ready, aim, fire!

SPLASH! Music cuts.

Loud yells and shrieks startle Sammy who stumbled to gain control and lower the hose.

Her parents tower over her, drenched in water and very unhappy.

CLOSE UP OF KITCHEN FLOOR COVERED IN DOG FOOD.

CLOSE UP OF BROKEN WINDOW.

WIDE SHOT OF SAMMY STANDING IN THE MUDDY BACKYARD, GUILTY AS CHARGE, WATER STILL RUNNING ON THE GROUND.

Uh oh. Sammy's parents grab her hand to take her inside as she protests, looking around and trying to find where Kevin might have gone.

INT. CHILD'S BEDROOM - DAY

Sammy sits on the floor upset.

EXT. HALLWAY - DAY

Sammy's parents listen against her bedroom door, knock and enter, carrying a medium size box.

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Sammy holds up a drawing of ghost Kevin that she made. Her parents sit down and put a hand on her shoulder.

We follow Sammy's reaction which saddens as she's reminded that Kevin is no longer with us.

She's then handed the box her parents were carrying and looks at it inquisitively.

Her parents motion for her to open the box.

Sammy opens the box and the light returns to her eyes. We're so happy for her as she reaches into the box and pulls out -

A TAXIDERMY KEVIN!? While it's incredibly morbid to us, Sammy seems ecstatic to be reunited.

She hugs taxidermy Kevin.

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