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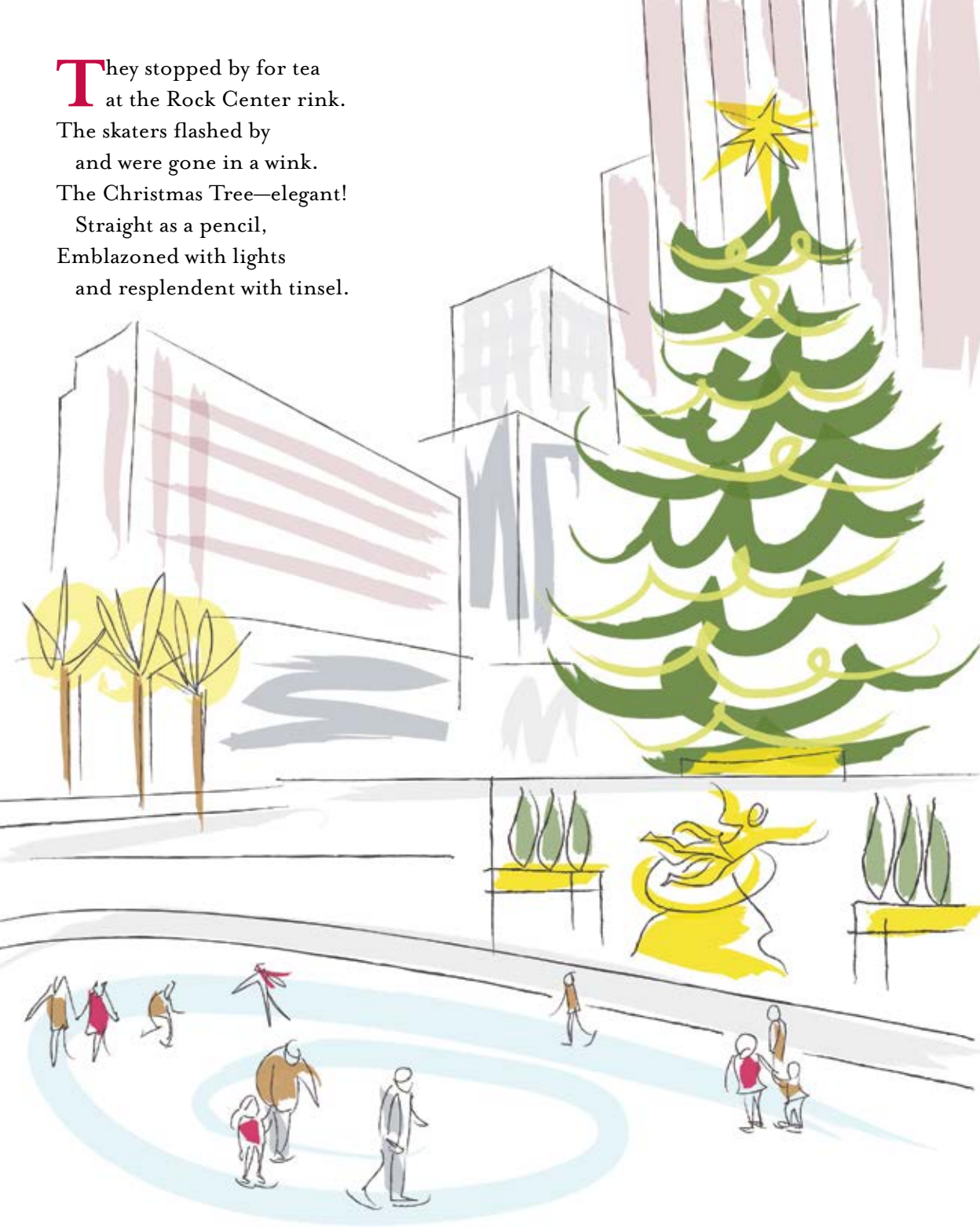
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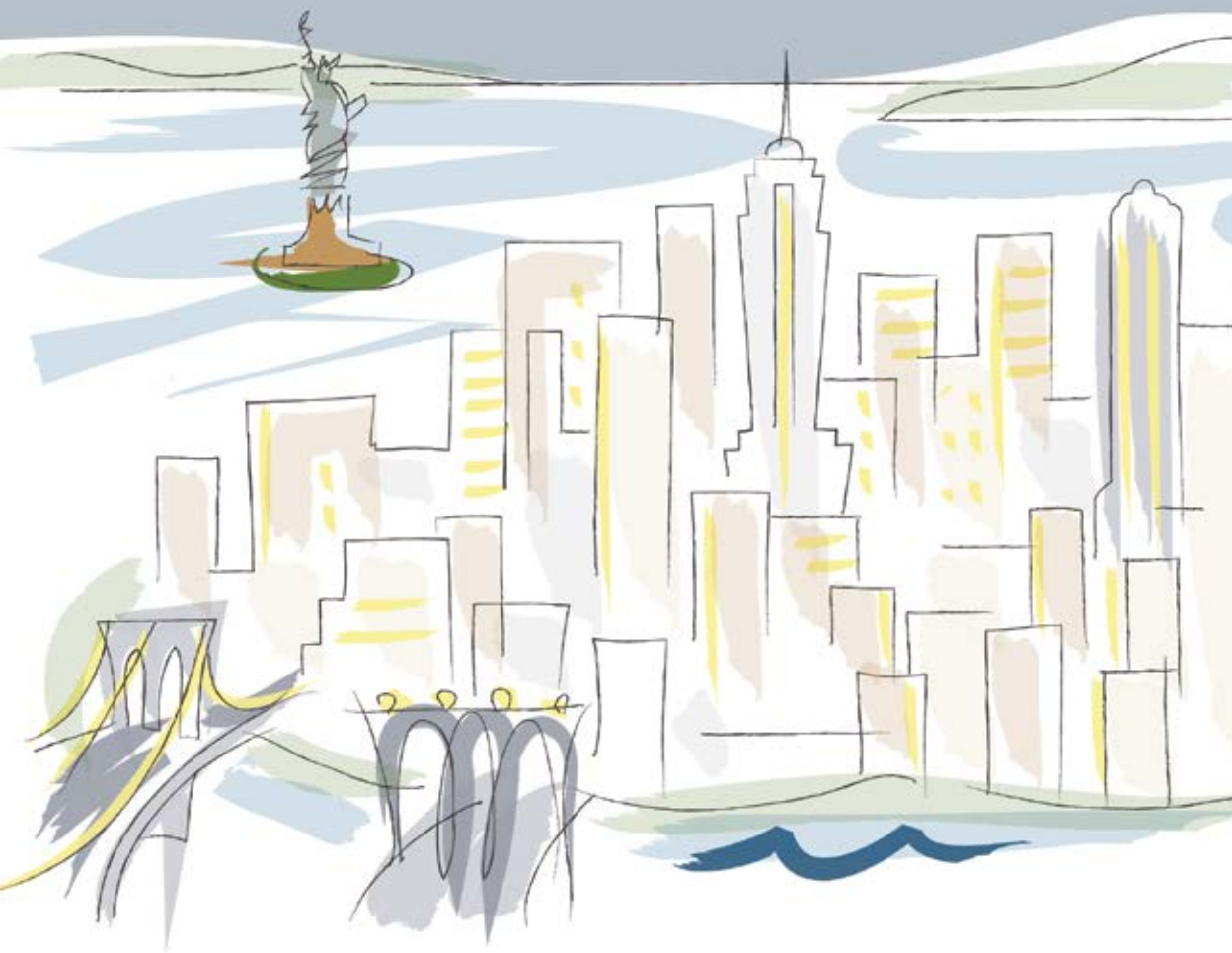


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They stopped by for tea
at the Rock Center rink.
The skaters flashed by
and were gone in a wink.
The Christmas Tree—elegant!
Straight as a pencil,
Emblazoned with lights
and resplendent with tinsel.



Later that night,
when the crowds had gone home,
And the moon shone on high
and the stars formed a dome,
Santa borrowed one reindeer
and soared through the sky,
Scouting and mapping
the path he'd soon fly.



I'm confident now.
I have no more worry.
This incredible town
has fixed me in a hurry.
The cheers of the children—
that's what brought me through it.
I'll never have any more doubts!
I can do it!"

To The Plaza dashed Santa,
no longer to roam.
"I'm refreshed and renewed!
My dear wife, let's go home.
The stars are in sync
for my Christmas Eve flight,
I will shout Merry Christmas,
and To All a Good Night."

