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PREVIOUSLY ON MY LITTLE PONY

MONTAGE of various excerpts from Part I:

-INT. CELESTIA'S CASTLE

1 CELESTIA
...after much consideration, my sister
and I have decided... it's time for us
to retire.

-INT. EVIL LAIR - King Sombra is resurrected! The other
villains are gathered. Grogar is revealed.

2 GROGAR
...each of you will be part of my evil
plan.

-INT. CRYSTAL EMPIRE - Sombra defeats the guards. He takes
Cadance's and Shining Armor's crowns.

3 CADANCE
You won't get away with this.

4 SOMBRA
Oh, but I already have! Hahahaha.

Sombra encases the royal family in a dark crystal prison.

-INT. CAVE OF HARMONY - Twilight removes the elements from
the tree.

5 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (V.O.)
...I do have confidence in the
Elements of Harmony! When we have
those, nothing, not even Sombra can
stand in our way!

-INT. CRYSTAL EMPIRE - THRONE ROOM - The gang defeats Sombra
using the Elements. Sombra flees. Twilight looks to her
friends.

6 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I have you guys, and we have the
Elements, and together -- we've never
failed.

-INT. CAVE OF HARMONY - As the girls look on in shock and
horror, Sombra coalesces in front of the tree and destroys
it!

END TEASER

MAIN TITLES

ACT ONE

SC. 1 - INT. CAVE OF HARMONY - CONTINUOUS

The MANE 6 stare in shock at the remains of the Tree of Harmony. Sombra throws his head back and laughs.

7 RAINBOW DASH
WHAT JUST HAPPENED?

8 PINKIE PIE
King Sombra followed us all smokey and sneaky like back here from the Crystal Empire and then used his dark, evil, crystallly magic things to destroy the Tree of Harmony. (THEN) But you probably weren't really looking for an answer, were you?

9 RARITY
This just doesn't seem possible.

10 APPLEJACK
I'm having a hard time believing what I'm seeing with my own eyes!

11 FLUTTERSHY
The Tree of Harmony can't really be gone, can it?

Twilight's eyes fill with tears.

12 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
It--it can't be.

13 SOMBRA
Oh, but it can. Such arrogant little ponies. So sure you'd beaten me with your fancy jewels, you led me right to the source of your power. Now nothing can stand in my way!

Twilight hangs her head.

14 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
He's right. With the Elements gone, I don't know how we can defeat him.

Anger rising in her, Rainbow Dash charges at Sombra.

15 RAINBOW DASH
Then we'll just have to beat him the old fashioned way!

The other girls follow suit, except for Twilight who looks on, still in shock and despair.

Sombra immediately BLASTS the others with his horn. Dark jagged crystals rise out of the ground near each of the Mane Six, herding them together, forming a cage around them as they struggle against them.

16 SOMBRA
Without your precious Elements you're
no match for me! Now nothing can stop
me from ruling over the Crystal
Empire. (THEN REALIZING) In fact,
nothing can stop me from ruling over
all of Equestria!

Coming to her senses, Twilight tries to use her horn but it has no effect against the dark magic. She bucks at the crystals to no avail.

17 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
NOOO!

18 SOMBRA
Oh yes. In fact, I think I know
exactly where I'll begin my conquest!

19 APPLEJACK
Don't you dare say it.

20 SOMBRA
Your sweet little home town,
Ponyville.

21 RARITY
You leave our families and friends
alone!

22 SOMBRA
Or what? You're just a collection of
powerless, puny ponies. It would be so
easy to control you...

His eyes glow green and dark smoke leaks out of them reaching out towards our girls inside their prison. They cower away from it. Then the smoke stops abruptly.

23 SOMBRA (CONT'D)
But I won't. I want you to wallow in
your failure. Completely helpless,
unable to stop me as I enslave
everypony you've ever loved. That's
already your worst fear, isn't it?
HAHAHAHAHAHAAA!

With an evil laugh, Sombra turns to smoke and floats out of the cave toward Ponyville.

24 MANE 6
NO!

25 FLUTTERSHY
What do we do?

26 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I--I'm not sure. (THEN) This is all my fault. I thought we could handle this without the Princesses' help, and now the Tree of Harmony is gone.

27 APPLEJACK
We all thought we could handle this on our own.

28 RARITY
And because of us, everypony we care about will be forced to serve that no good, horrible Sombra.

The girls all look to Pinkie.

29 PINKIE PIE
What are you looking at me for?

30 RAINBOW DASH
This is usually when you say something funny to lift our spirits.

31 PINKIE PIE
Sorry, nothing about this is funny to me. (THEN) Oh no, what if destroying my Element, destroyed my ability to laugh? What if I never laugh again?

The other girls all look at each other. Could that be the case?

32 FLUTTERSHY
She's right! I can't think of a single kind thought about that nasty pony!

33 APPLEJACK
Now, hold on, y'all. I know we all feel bad about the Tree, but Elements or no, we can't just give up.

Rarity starts crying.

34 RARITY
I'm sorry, I'm trying to be strong,
but I just can't stand to think about
poor Sweetie Belle under the spell of
that monster--

And like a yawn the worry spreads.

35 PINKIE PIE
Or those sweet little Cake twins--

36 RAINBOW DASH
Or Spike or Starlight--

37 FLUTTERSHY
Or Angel-- or anypony forced to do
that monster's bidding!

As Applejack tries to think of something encouraging to say,
she's suddenly hit by a clod of dirt.

38 APPLEJACK
What the--

REVEAL Twilight - pawing at the ground with her hooves,
trying to tunnel out.

39 APPLEJACK (CONT'D)
Twilight, what are you doing?

40 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
You're right. We can't just give up. I
don't have a plan and I don't know
what I'm going to do once we get out,
but we can't just sit here and let
Sombra make slaves of every pony we
love - even if we don't have our
powers.

A beat as the girls think about what it means to fight
without powers.

41 RAINBOW DASH
Let me help. I'm faster.

Rainbow Dash starts digging. Pinkie Pie joins her.

42 PINKIE PIE
I like digging.

Fluttershy joins.

43 FLUTTERSHY
I've been known to get my hooves
dirty.

Applejack joins.

44 APPLEJACK
Me too.

Rarity joins as well.

45 RARITY
Obviously I wouldn't normally think of
getting my hooves dirty, but this time
I'll make an exception.

They smile at each other. They still have one another. They
keep digging -- already on the way to digging themselves out.

SC. 2 - EXT. PONYVILLE - MOMENTS LATER

The MANE 6 run into the town square to see all of Ponyville
is under Sombra's control! Every citizen is colorless and
despondent. MAYOR MARE walks by in a sad stupor.

46 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Mayor Mare?

She doesn't even turn to acknowledge Twilight.

47 APPLEJACK (O.S.)
Applebloom!

REVEAL Applejack running toward her sister. Applejack tries
to get Applebloom's attention.

48 APPLEJACK (CONT'D)
Applebloom, sweetie! It's Applejack.
Look at me, honey!

But Applebloom just looks through her sister and keeps
trudging sadly up the road.

49 APPLEJACK (CONT'D)
Twilight, you gotta free her, please.

Twilight tries to touch her horn to Applebloom, but Sombra's
eyes pulse - superimposed over Applebloom's - and it's almost
like an electric shock pushes Twilight back.

50 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I--can't. My magic isn't strong enough
to stop Sombra's anymore!

She looks around and stops cold. She spots Starlight and Spike trudging sadly out of town.

51 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
Starlight! Spike! Where are you going?

52 STARLIGHT GLIMMER
We must serve our king.

53 SPIKE
We must lay siege to Canterlot.

54 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
No! Snap out of it, you two! You're stronger than his magic.

They keep walking past her as if they don't hear.

SC. 3 - EXT. CAROUSEL BOUTIQUE - SAME

Rarity pleads with Sweetie Belle as her sister rips up gowns, then uses the strips of fabric to wrap torches which she lights and hands out to the crowd of mind-controlled ponies walking out of town.

55 RARITY
Sweetie Belle, please stop! Please!

Twilight approaches.

56 RARITY (CONT'D)
I can't get her to stop. I can't--

57 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
None of us can. We can't reach them.

Just then we hear Pinkie scream. Twilight and the others run toward SUGAR CUBE CORNER.

SC. 4 - EXT. SUGAR CUBE CORNER - SAME

Twilight, Rainbow Dash, Rarity and Fluttershy see Pinkie holding on to MR. and MRS. CAKE'S legs. They drag her along as they load an enormous, black cake into a cart along with the CAKE TWINS. They hitch themselves up and head off, leaving Pinkie to turn to her friends - tears in her eyes:

58 PINKIE PIE
He made them bake a black licorice cake that says "Congratulations Supreme Emperor, King Sombra!"
(SOBBING) It's the ugliest cake I've ever seen!

Pinkie cries on Rainbow Dash's shoulder. Fluttershy joins them and pats Pinkie on the back. She and Rainbow watch the rest of Ponyville march toward the train station on their way to Canterlot. SCOOTALOO and DR. FAUNA are among them.

59 RAINBOW DASH
Twilight, this is bad. Like really bad.

60 FLUTTERSHY
I've never been so sad in my whole life.

61 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(desperate panic)
I don't know what to do. I don't know how to free them and I don't know how to stop Sombra! And the worst thing is this just feels like the beginning. The Tree of Harmony and the Elements have always protected Equestria, but without them all sorts of horrible things might happen.

62 PINKIE PIE
You mean like the plunderseeds that the Tree kept from growing could sprout again and the Everfree Forest could take over the town?

63 RARITY
That's oddly specific, dear.

They all turn wide-eyed to Pinkie, who points to the edge of town where--

REVEAL: The black twisting vines of the Everfree forest are making their way toward Ponyville and the Mane 6.

Off of the girls's horrified expressions we...

END ACT ONE

ACT TWO

SC. 5 - EXT. PONYVILLE - RESUME

The girls runs toward the encroaching forest, stopping just short of the thorn-covered vines that whip and slice at them.

64 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Without the Tree's magic to stop them, the Forest will grow out of control!

65 APPLEJACK
We may not be a match for King Sombra,
but we can try to keep these vines
from strangling the town.

She looks to Dash who nods, then ZIPS back into a flower shop in town, then ZIPS back with an armful of gardening equipment (pruning shears, plows, etc.). She drops the collection at their feet.

Twilight turns to her friends.

66 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Even if we somehow figure out how to
defeat Sombra and bring everypony
home, if we don't stop the forest,
there won't be a Ponyville for them to
come home to.

They arm themselves with the tools and look out at the forest.

67 FLUTTERSHY
For our friends.

68 APPLEJACK/ RARITY
For our families.

69 RAINBOW DASH/PINKIE PIE
For our home.

70 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
For Equestria.

Their "weapons" at the ready, the girls charge at the encroaching vines as we...

CUT TO:

SC. 6 - EXT. CANTERLOT - DAY

Sombra marches up with GRANNY SMITH, BIG MAC, Starlight and Spike and the rest of Ponyville, all carrying pitchforks and torches. He stops at the city gates.

71 SOMBRA
Break it down.

Big Mac charges at the door, busting it wide open. Sombra steps through, followed by his crowd of mind-controlled minions.

SC. 7 - INT. CELESTIA AND LUNA'S CASTLE - THRONE ROOM - SOON AFTER

With a magical BLAST the throne room door bursts open. Sombra steps through the smoke to see-- it's empty. No one is there to greet or challenge him.

72 SOMBRA
They've fled. Celestia and Luna are too cowardly to even stand against me. They've left their kingdom utterly defenseless! I've won! Equestria is mine!

Off of Sombra's triumphant laugh we...

CUT TO:

SC. 8 - EXT. EVERFREE FOREST - CONTINUOUS

Twilight and her friends continue to fight the forest, the branches and vines growing quickly around them.

ON APPLEJACK - who stomps on a black vine, but two more sprout up in its place.

RARITY and TWILIGHT - BLAST at the branches with magic, but more grow back.

DASH - zips past with a scythe in her mouth, slicing a collection of vines to reveal a few frightened forest creatures which...

FLUTTERSHY - rushes in and ushers out of harms way.

73 FLUTTERSHY
Come on everyone! Run!

But before they can make it out a new batch of vines encircles them. Fluttershy raises her hooves to fight back just as...

APPLEJACK - rushes past wearing a plow that chops the vines up and gives Fluttershy and her friends enough time to escape.

The gang regroups and looks at the forest which has only grown closer to the town.

They've made a valiant effort, but the branches grow back almost as fast as they're chopped away.

74 APPLEJACK
It's just growin' back too fast!

75 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
We have to keep trying!

The gang charges again, but the forest surges and pushes them back. It looks like Ponyville will be overrun when suddenly, two powerful magic BLASTS take out a large chunk of the growing forest.

REVEAL - Celestia and Luna, bursting through the clouds, as more BLASTS of magic shoot from their horns and driving back another section of vines!

They land and the others rush up to them.

76 APPLEJACK
I know we're supposed to be able to handle things on our own, but I've never been happier to see two ponies in my whole life!

Starswirl suddenly teleports in, BAMFING next to Twilight.

77 STARSWIRL
No pony is meant to handle this on their own.

78 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Starswirl! The Tree of Harmony, it's--

79 STARSWIRL
I know. I alerted the princesses as soon as I could. (THEN) I felt it, when it happened. Like part of my essence just... ceased to be.

Twilight hangs her head, looking guilty.

80 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I know what you mean. I'm sorry.

81 STARSWIRL
Don't be. I've more than enough magic in me to keep the Everfree Forest under control.

82 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
You can do that?

Starlight gives her a knowing smile.

83 STARSWIRL
The Pillars and I planted the Tree of Harmony. Who do you think kept the Forest under control before it did?

Starswirl narrows his eyes at the forest, then closes them in concentration. His horn glows and magic pours out of it in glowing tendrils. Starswirl's tendrils "battle" against the dark vines of the Everfree forest. The Mane 6 watch in awe.

84 RAINBOW DASH
Aww, yeah! Go get 'em, Beardy!

Between Celestia, Luna, and Starswirl, the Everfree Forest starts to recede - though it's clear it's going to take some time to get it totally under control. Twilight rushes up to Celestia.

85 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Sombra is back and he's taken control of all of our friends. They're marching on Canterlot right now!

86 CELESTIA
Then you must go! Defend Equestria and we shall contain the forest.

The Mane 6 cast worried looks at the road out of Ponyville.

87 PINKIE PIE
At least now we're back to just one problem.

88 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Finding a way to defeat Sombra.

TRANSITION TO:

SC. 9 - EXT. CELESTIA'S CASTLE - DRAWBRIDGE - LATER

The Mane 6 get to the entrance of the castle and see the drawbridge is up. Below, it's surrounded by Canterlot citizens (FANCY PANTS, MINUETTE, LEMON HEARTS, SASSY SADDLES, etc.).

89 FLUTTERSHY
Do you think they're under Sombra's control?

The Canterlot ponies take an aggressive stance, clearly guarding the drawbridge. A few pegasi fly up to block Rainbow Dash and Fluttershy. Their eyes glow green.

90 PINKIE PIE
Aw poodles, they're all evil-y.

91 APPLEJACK
There's no choice. We have to get
through. Let's just try not to hurt
them.

The unicorns on the Canterlot side start to float branches, rocks, whatever's nearby, to attack the Mane 6. Applejack and Pinkie Pie grab branches and try to keep the floating objects from hitting Rarity and Twilight as they use magic of their own.

92 RARITY
Sorry about this, Fancy Pants!

Rarity uses magic to untie Fancy Pants' bowtie and re-tie it around his eyes. The branches he was controlling fall to the ground.

Meanwhile, Rainbow Dash and Fluttershy fly over to the pegasi. Rainbow Dash zips around "faking out" what her next move will be.

93 RAINBOW DASH
Will I go here? Or here? Or there--
gotcha!

The pegasi try to keep up but their movements are slow and zombie-like. Rainbow Dash zips past them and into a window. Fluttershy flies up and blocks the window so the pegasi can't follow. She turns to them.

94 FLUTTERSHY
Don't make me do something mean.

Dash sticks her head back out and points at the Canterlot ponies still guarding the gate.

95 RAINBOW DASH
I'll get the drawbridge down, but
somepony's gotta get them out of the
way!

Twilight looks around and spots a fallen tree trunk nearby.

96 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Applejack, Pinkie Pie, can you get
that into the water? Rarity, I need
cover.

They all nod, then Twilight teleports to the other side of the moat. The Canterlot ponies try to attack but Rarity blocks their floating objects.

Once Applejack and Pinkie Pie buck the log into the water, Twilight uses her magic to shove the Canterlot ponies into the moat. They all fall, but float safely on the log.

97 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
Now, Rainbow Dash!

The drawbridge lowers and Rarity, Applejack, and Pinkie Pie run across.

SC. 10 - INT. CELESTIA'S CASTLE - HALLWAY - MOMENTS LATER

The Mane 6 gallop/fly through.

98 RARITY
What are we to do once we face Sombra?
Without the Elements we're not nearly
powerful enough to beat him!

Twilight is at a loss.

99 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I -- we --

Just then, Discord casually munching on a pickle.

100 DISCORD
Oh my. No Elements? Seems like you're
in a bit of a pickle.

A jar of jam appears in his claw.

101 DISCORD (CONT'D)
Or are you in more of a jam?

102 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
All those things and more! I ruined
everything! The Tree of Harmony is
gone!

103 DISCORD
Gone? Oh dear. How will you ever
defeat a big baddie like King Sombra
without the Harmonious Powers of the
Tree that's protected all of Equestria
for millennia?

They round the corner and find the entrance to the throne room is blocked by several green-eyed ROYAL GUARDS. The girls grind to a halt.

104 PINKIE PIE
Aw, poodles.

The girls take a fighting stance, but they look a little worse for the wear from their last battle.

105 DISCORD
<SIGH> I suppose I could pitch in, you
know, if somepony were to ask nicely.

The guards start to advance on the girls.

106 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Discord, will you please help us?!

A beat as Twilight waits for Discord to do something. The guards get closer.

107 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
Um, whenever you're ready.

108 DISCORD
Just to be clear, I really was rooting
for you to do this on your own and
parley that confidence boost into
being the best Protectors of Equestria
you can be.

109 RAINBOW DASH
A little less talking and a little
more helping!

The guards are now almost to the girls. They brace for impact. Then Discord wheels on the guards. With snaps and magical flourishes, the guards get struck by globs of whipped cream, fall into random holes, get attacked by their own shields, etc.

110 FLUTTERSHY
Thank you, Discord!

111 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I don't know what we'd do without you.

Discord looks a little concerned, hearing this. But the girls run past him into...

SC. 11 - INT. CANTERLOT - THRONE ROOM - CONTINUOUS

Sombra is at the balcony, casting blasts of darkness all over Equestria. He turns when the girls walk in.

112 SOMBRA
<CHUCKLES> How sweet. Here to fight
the good fight, with nothing but your
wits? Admirable, but foolish.

Sombra fires a dark magic blast at them, but just in the nick of time Discord counters Sombra's blast, turning it into pudding. Sombra growls and keeps firing. As Discord casually turns Sombra's blasts into sprinkles, butterflies, fireworks, etc., he monologues to the girls:

113 DISCORD
I guess it's up to me to save the day.
I was betting on you, and I do hate
being wrong. Though if you think about
it, I am your friend so maybe you win
because friendship wins? Fluttershy
should get most of the credit for
that, though. She's my favorite.

Upon hearing that, Sombra unleashes a massive BLAST at Fluttershy! Not thinking, Discord leaps to shield his friend and takes the full brunt of the hit.

In SLOW MOTIONS Discord falls to the ground, unconscious.

114 FLUTTERSHY
Discord!

Off everyone's shock as it looks like Sombra has taken out Discord!

END ACT TWO

ACT THREE

SC. 12 - INT. CANTERLOT - THRONE ROOM - RESUME

Sombra laughs.

115 SOMBRA
Not even the Lord of Chaos stands a
chance against me!!

Twilight, Fluttershy, Rainbow Dash, Applejack, Rarity and Pinkie Pie all gather around a fallen Discord. They hold his head in their hooves.

116 RAINBOW DASH
Discord!

117 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
We need you!

118 FLUTTERSHY
Please wake up.

A big fat tear rolls off Fluttershy's nose and on to Discord's chest. Discord's eyes flutter open.

119 FLUTTERSHY (CONT'D)
Discord!

Fluttershy hugs him.

120 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I'm so glad you're okay. I don't think
we can do this without you.

Discord tries to get up but can't.

121 DISCORD
(WEAKLY) Well, you're going to have to
because it would appear I have nothing
left to give.

He snaps his fingers. All that happens is a weak spark.

122 APPLEJACK
That's it then. We're doomed?

123 SOMBRA
Of course you are! I can't believe
it's taken you this long to realize
it!

The girls gather protectively between Sombra and Discord.
Fluttershy stops to put a pillow under Discord's head.

124 DISCORD
NO! Girls, listen to me. You don't
need me. And you don't need the
Elements. (COUGHS WEAKLY) You're more
powerful than you think.

As Discord says the following he looks to each of them and
they nod in acknowledgement of what he's saying to them.

125 DISCORD (CONT'D)
Fluttershy will always be kind.
Applejack, you will always be honest,
Rarity, you'll always be generous,
Rainbow Dash, will be loyal to her
last breath. Pinkie, will always bring
laughter wherever she goes and
Twilight, you are and always will be
the embodiment of Magic. Nothing and
no pony can ever take that away from
you - Elements or not. Sombra can't
defeat you. Only you can do that, if
you forget who you are.

Twilight looks at her brave, beautiful friends.

126 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
He's right.

Twilight whips around to face Sombra.

127 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
With these girls by my side, I'm not
afraid of you. I'm not afraid of what
you can do or how much power you have.

128 SOMBRA
You should be.

He blasts at Twilight, but she BLASTS back. The strain knocks her to her knees, but her magic shields them all and she gets back onto her feet.

129 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
You may knock us down, but we are
going to get back up again...

He blasts at them again, and this time it drives Twilight back, but she struggles forward, using her magic to defend everyone. Her friends start to gather at her side.

130 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
And again.

He blasts a third time and Twilight deflects the blast in the opposite direction. Instead of getting weaker, she seems to be getting stronger, as they all face him together.

131 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
And again. As long as we're together,
we will never stop trying to defeat
you.

Sombra blasts at Twilight with his horn. She matches his, with a blast of her own. Twilight holds out her hooves for her friends to take. Fluttershy touches hooves with Twilight.

132 FLUTTERSHY
For our friends.

Applejack and Rarity touch hooves on either side of Twilight and Fluttershy.

133 APPLEJACK/RARITY
For our families.

Rainbow Dash and Pinkie Pie join on either side of them.

134 RAINBOW DASH/PINKIE PIE
For our Home.

Twilight, strengthened by her friends' love, glows.

135 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
For Equestria.

Maybe this is a preview of what Twilight will look like when she gets the "Celestia/Luna" princess mane makeover? Sell some toys early! Anyway, Twilight's magic almost reaches Sombra himself, but he breaks magical contact and hides behind Celestia's throne.

136 SOMBRA
No! This should not be possible! I destroyed the source of your power. You have no magic!

137 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
You can't destroy our friendship, Sombra. And didn't you know? Friendship is magic.

He tries feebly to blast at Twilight but she's almost nuclear at this point. She looks in his direction and her eyes glow white and she lights the whole room up.

138 SOMBRA
Noooooo!

When the room clears, Sombra is no more.

SC. 13 - EXT. CANTERLOT - SAME

The wave of light that expanded from Twilight, expands over all of the Ponies we've seen so far: including Starlight, Spike, Big Mac and Granny. They all shake their heads finally free of Sombra's control.

IN A SERIES OF SHOTS - we see Sombra's magic and dark crystals going away all around Equestria.

SC. 14 - INT. CELESTIA'S CASTLE - LATER

Celestia and Luna run in to find Twilight and the rest of the Mane 6, now normal looking, taking care of Discord who is propped up on several pillows and is cozily tucked in and has snacks all around him.

139 FLUTTERSHY
Do you want more juice?

140 DISCORD
Yes, please.

141 CELESTIA
I see you've made yourselves at home.

142 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Celestia! Luna! You're back! And I know what you're going to say, I should have called on you as soon as I knew the danger. A good leader knows when to ask for help and I didn't. And because of me, the Tree of Harmony was destroyed. Equestria deserves somepony much better than I am to be it's leader.

143 CELESTIA
You're right.

Twilight hangs her head in shame.

144 CELESTIA (CONT'D)
About one thing. A good leader knows when to ask for help. But a great leader has the courage to admit when they've made a mistake and the strength to make it right. Today, you've proven to me, beyond any doubt, that you will be a great leader.

145 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Will be?

146 CELESTIA
Luna and I have decided it may have been a bit unfair to thrust this upon you without giving you the time you need to prepare.

147 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Oh thank goodness! I really wasn't ready.

Suddenly, Discord pops up completely fine.

148 DISCORD
Not ready? So, Twilight's not taking over? This was all for nothing? I pretended to be very hurt and gave one of the most convincing speeches of my life--

149 TWILIGHT SPARKLE/FLUTTERSHY
PRETENDED?!

150 DISCORD
Of course. You don't think some would-be-king could actually hurt the Lord of Chaos, do you? Anyway, as I was saying I pretended to be very hurt to convince you, you didn't need anything but yourself to be the incredible leader I know you can be! And now it's not happening??

151 CELESTIA
It will, but when she's ready.

152 DISCORD
How can she not be ready?! What a waste of a perfectly wonderful speech! Honestly, I don't know why I even bother!

Discord disappears in a huff.

153 RARITY
Did he just say he could have ended the whole Sombra thing whenever he wanted to but chose not to?

154 FLUTTERSHY
Mmmhmmmm. To teach Twilight a lesson.

155 RAINBOW DASH
That's Discord for you.

156 APPLEJACK
He sure has a weird way of being supportive.

157 PINKIE PIE
Super odd dude.

Discord's head reappears in one of the stained glass windows.

158 DISCORD
I heard that.

He poofs away. The girls and the princesses all laugh.

159 LUNA
Also, truth be told, Celestia and I had fun today, fighting side by side with Starswirl for our home! It has been years since we've gotten to do what you girls do. You all make it look so easy.

160 RAINBOW DASH
We are kind of awesome together.

161 FLUTTERSHY
Every adventure is heartpounding but
so rewarding!

162 PINKIE PIE
I'd do anything as long as I could do
it with you girls!

163 RARITY
It certainly hasn't been dull since I
met all of you!

164 APPLEJACK
No where else I'd rather be.

165 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
We are pretty incredible together. And
we would do anything for Equestria. So
I know, when the time comes, as long
as we're together, we probably--

The girls cough.

166 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
--we definitely got this.

Off of a big group hug we CUT TO:

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Tirek is up on a table with his arms folded over his chest,
Cozy and Chrysalis stand behind him with arms outstretched
over their heads.

167 COZY GLOW
That's it, big guy. Now just fall back
and trust that your friends will catch
you.

168 TIREK
No. You're not my friends and you'll
drop me.

169 CHRYSALIS
No we won't. (WHISPERS TO COZY) We're
dropping him right?

170 COZY GLOW
(WHISPERS) No. We're gonna catch him.

171 CHRYSALIS
(WHISPERS) Are you crazy? He'll crush
us.

172 COZY GLOW
(WHISPERS) The power of friendship
will make us strong.

173 TIREK
I'm getting nervous up here.

174 COZY GLOW
Just fall back!

175 TIREK
NO! I heard you whispering. You're
plotting to drop me.

He turns around to face them.

176 CHRYSALIS
No we're not.

Her eye keeps winking.

177 TIREK
I can see you winking.

178 CHRYSALIS
No you can't.

With a clap of thunder, Grogar enters the chamber. They all
jump.

179 GROGAR
What are you fools doing?

180 COZY GLOW
What you wanted us to. We're learning
to become friends.

181 GROGAR
Friends? I didn't ask you to become
friends. I said if we work together we
can defeat all the magic of Equestria.
How did you get friendship from that?

182 COZY GLOW
Haven't you heard? Friendship is--

Grogar holds up a hand cutting her off as a surge of magic
floods the room. With it, Sombra is resurrected.

183 SOMBRA
Where am I?

Panting, Sombra looks around the room, finally coming to his senses. He knows where he is. Grogar laughs, mirthlessly.

184 GROGAR
So sure you'd won, weren't you?

185 SOMBRA
I was wrong.

186 GROGAR
And now you serve me. You all do. And you will do whatever I say.

187 COZY GLOW
Well, can you be a bit more specific about what you want then, because we thought we were already doing "Whatever you say".

188 GROGAR
Silence, you bold little imp. I do not want you to become friends. Villains don't do friendship.

189 TIREK
I told you that. (TO GROGAR) I told her that.

190 GROGAR
What I want from you is an alliance. We will work together to destroy friendship and when we do, we will bring Equestria to its knees. Hahahahahahaha.

As the rest of the villains tentatively join in the laugh...

FADE OUT

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