

Holding the Frontline

So for 6-months or more, we have held the frontline
trying to keep safe,
what's yours, and what's mine.

For this is a time that we never thought we'd see,
our country in 'lockdown',
affecting you, and affecting me.

But we're 'frontliners'; and on our own volition we've manned-up to this task,
yet we don't wear scrubs, PPE or a mask,
but "Every Little Helps",
and we're here, so just ask.

Day and night, our distribution depots fill our trucks, who travel the length of this great land,
and they're laden with stock, covering all that you need,
from your home, garden and BBQs,
to a packet of seed.

For we're holding the frontline - whilst maintaining the calm,
with sanitising stations and 2-meter distance, all put in place, to keep you from harm.
we're ensuring your safety, as you come into our clean store
from arriving in the car park, and through the entrance door.

And we understand why you went on a massive shopping crusade and war,
due to the mile-upon-mile of empty shelves, in panic you saw
so we hear your frustration, your upset and rage,
as we wheel onto aisle, another full, delivery cage.
Yes, we are feeling the strain; that can't be denied,
as we do our best to lessen, this relentless, fear tide.

But we're keyworkers, and we're holding the frontline,
ensuring our shelves are stocked with the "finest" food and drink,
so you can stay-in, and well while you dine.

And it's not just our good quality food, that we replenish every day
there's also the nurturing of you and your loved ones' spirit and well-being,
while trying to keep the lethal Covid-19 at bay.

From protective hand gel, soap, home items, puzzle magazines, treats and more,
and you can 'click + collect' your loo rolls, or buy them in store,
or we'll deliver direct, to your own front door.

We'll double-check our reserves, and guide you on aisle,
and if there's time, we'll have a quick chat,
before sending you on your way, with our check-out smile.

So no, we're not medics- we've not been trained in that way,
but in our uniforms of blue, we hold the frontline, on every single day.
So we'll continue to step up to this 'virus fight',
with every goodwill, and all of our might.

So spare a thought, when you visit our store,
with your basket or trolley in tow,
for we are keyworkers, who are holding the frontline
and your 'best-self' is the one we'd like to know.