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From the depth of my soul  
to the living bowels of my body  
and the pores of my skin  
I excrete truth.  
The air that enter my lungs  
releases a gentle pureness  
that empowers the Earth.  
From the width and depth  
of nature, animals giving birth  
to beauty blossoming from my breath,  
and yours intermingled in the air.  
The grace in which they dance:  
twirling, lunging,  
and caressing.  
Each with a soft embrace,  
only to be nothing more,  
than the food of which,  
leaves and greenery adore.

**“A Rather Linear Road” Gina Cardarelli**