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ERNIE ' S GIRLS

"Candy"

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FADE IN:

INT. ROBINSON HOUSE - LIVING ROOM - DAY

ERNIE

You know it was an accident. I've seen our youngest catch stuff a million times before. Barbie dolls. Nerf balls...

VANESSA (O.S.)

I know, Mariah. It's gonna be okay.

ERNIE

So, I told her to go long. I didn't tell her to try to catch the football with her face. Now, I'm stuck playing the tooth fairy and going to the dentist -- like it was my fault. That girl just needs some more hand-eye coordination.
(confidentially)
She gets that from her mother.

MARIAH

(enters excited)
See, Mommy?

Mariah shows Vanessa her toothless (blacked-out tooth) grin.

VANESSA

I see, sweetie. Your Daddy's taking you to see Dr. Jensen in a minute. If you're good, he'll give you a lollipop.

MARIAH

Yea!

Vanessa escorts Mariah off -- giving Ernie a dirty look.

ERNIE

If only my problems tonight could be fixed with a little candy.