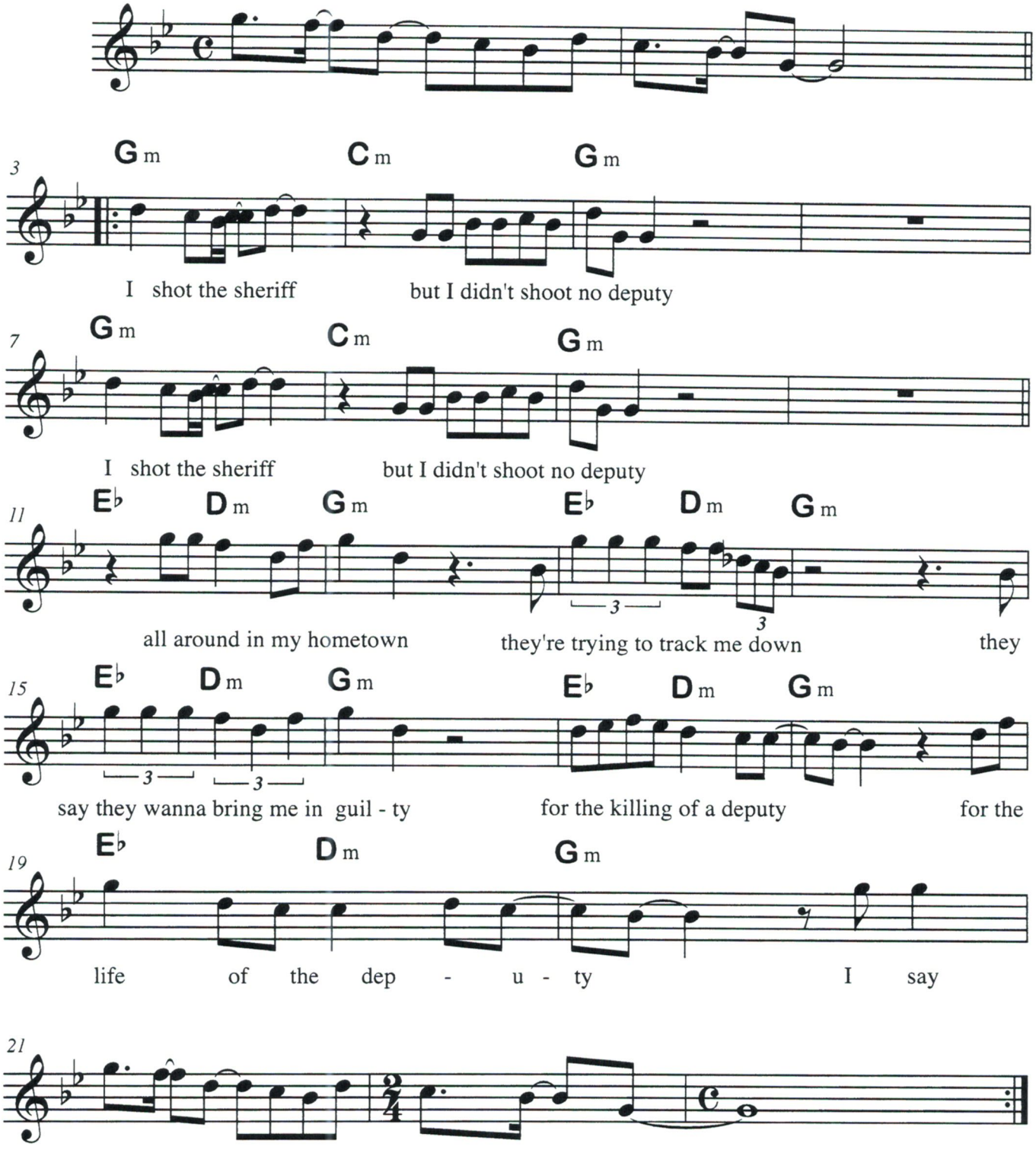
I Shot The Sheriff
(Melody)

! = 96

(Reggae)

Bob Marley

(Version: Eric Clapton)

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Track 11

I Shot the Sheriff

Words and Music by Bob Marley

Intro

Moderate Reggae ♩ = 96

N.C.

Chorus

I shot the sheriff

Gm

but I did not shoot no deputy.
but I swear it was in self defense.

Cm Gm

I shot the sheriff

but I did not shoot no deputy.
and they say it is a capital offense.

Cm Gm

Verse

1. All around in my hometown
2., 3., 4. See Additional Lyrics

E♭ Dm Gm

they say they're trying to track me down.

E♭ Dm Gm

They say they wanna

E♭ Dm

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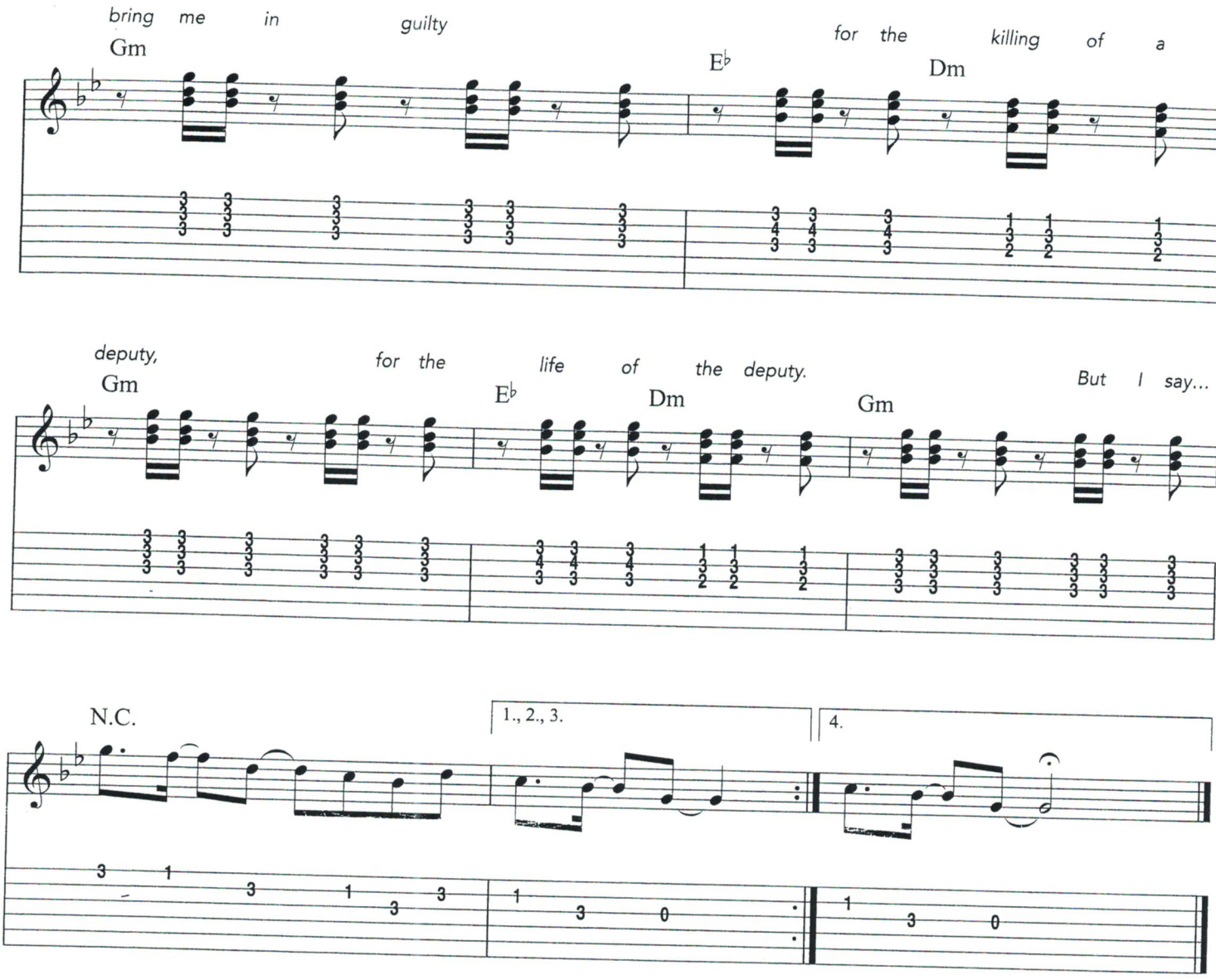
Additional Lyrics

2. Sheriff John Brown always hated me;
For what I did I don't know.
And every time I try to plant that little seed,
He said, "Kill it before it grows,"
"Kill it before it grows."

3. Freedom came my way one fine day,
So I headed straight out of town.
All of a sudden, I see Sheriff John Brown
Aimin' to shoot me down,
So I shot I shot him down.

4. Reflexes got the better of me,
What will be will be.
Everytime the bucket goes to the well,
One day the bottom will drop out
One day the bottom will drop out.