THE LAST BUS

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EXT. BUS STOP - NIGHT

Rain hammers a glass shelter on an empty road. A flickering timetable. MAYA (19), soaked hoodie, clutches a cracked phone at 2% battery.

Headlights. A city bus slows, then rolls past without stopping.

MAYA
No, no, no. Hey!

She runs a few steps after it and stops. The bus shrinks to two red lights.

Behind her, an older man, THEO (70s), folds a newspaper over his head and sits on the bench as if he has all night.

THEO
(not looking up)
That was the 11:40. It never stops here when it's raining.

MAYA
That's not a rule. That's a bus being rude.

THEO
Forty years I drove that route. Trust me, it's a rule.

Maya sits at the far end of the bench. Her phone dies. She stares at the black screen.

MAYA
When's the next one?

THEO
The last one. Twelve-fifteen.

THEO (CONT'D)
(beat)
Unless it's raining.

CUT TO:

INT. BUS - CONTINUOUS

The DRIVER (40s) glances at the rear-view mirror at the two small figures under the shelter, sighs, and flicks on the indicator.

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DRIVER (V.O.)
Every single time.

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