



## CHAPTER 8

# Your Point of Independence

Deep down inside we know what we want. Even if we can't articulate it, we know it still. Life has a way of delaying our dreams so long we deceive ourselves they no longer matter. We throw our dreams onto the scrap heap of youthful ideas. But if we're honest, these dreams have grown up with us, and although neglected, the smallest reminders can awaken them. Tired but still alive, they beg us to breathe life into them once more.

As if to grant temporary reprieve, life allows us to witness encouraging displays of the human spirit conquering insurmountable odds. We see it in the underdog athlete who, all his life tagged a loser, grows up to cross the Olympic finish line first. We see it in a young businessperson who with empty pockets and passion builds a billion-dollar empire with that intangible capital called perseverance. This gives us hope to follow our dreams and concentrate on what brings happiness to our lives. The challenge is keeping our resolve alive. The challenge is making that temporary feeling our daily existence.

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