### 2 Surprise

#### Scarlett POV

This can't be happening after what we just did. I cover myself with the sheet. I won't give him the satisfaction of seeing my tears or begging him to reconsider. I, Scarlett Rose Wolfe, accept your rejection Zane Joseph Helm. I watch as he gets dressed and gives me one last look. "This is nothing personal Scarlett, I just need a Luna and I don't want an Alpha for a mate." I don't even give him the satisfaction of a response. He turns and leaves the hotel room. I gather myself before I put my panties and dress back on. I grab my clutch and take my phone out. I'm about to dial when the tears I've been holding back begin to run down my cheeks. I feel so weak right now that I allowed this man to do this to me. I nally composed myself and call for the driver to meet me in front of the hotel. I have never understood what they mean when they call it the walk of shame, but I know exactly what it means now. I'm ready to walk out when I see Zane with his arm wrapped around some blonde woman going back into the ball. I want to walk in there and kick his ass, but I won't act like a jealous girlfriend.

When the driver pulls up outside the pack house, I get out and head inside. I can only hope that everyone will be in their rooms. I start my walk to the stairs when I hear my name being called. I turn to see my mother looking at me with concern. "Scarlett, why are you home so early and why do you look like you've been crying?" Can we please talk about this tomorrow? I don't think I can do it tonight mom. "Scarlett, I think you should tell me now." "I can see how upset you are." I walk toward my mother and she wraps me up in her arms. After a few minutes, she walks me up to my room. Maggie is in the hallway with a look of concern on her face. I hate every minute of feeling like a weak little girl. "Maggie head to your room." "I'll be in shortly." "Ok mom, I love you Scarlett." I love you too, Maggie.

Once we are inside my room, my mother sits on the couch and lets me head into the shower. I throw my perfect red dress and panties right into the trash because I want nothing that reminds me of what happened tonight. Once I've showered and put on my pajamas, I head out into my room. My mother pats the couch next to her. I take a seat and put my head in my mother's lap. She starts to run her ngers through my hair. "Tell me what happened Scar." I take a deep breath and tell her everything that happened after I arrived at the ball. I feel her body stiffen when I tell her about his rejection. My mother growls I don't think I have ever heard her growl. "What is his name Scarlett?" No way mom you aren't going to keep this from dad and I know he will kill him if he knows his name. "Scarlett what he did was totally wrong, he should have rejected you before he took your virginity." "It still would have been wrong but he violated one of our laws by taking your virginity when he intended to reject you and should face the consequences." No I don't want anything done I just want to forget that I ever met him. "Ok Scar if that's what you really want I will honor your wishes." "You know tomorrow you have to tell your father what happened." Can't you just tell him and we never speak of it again? "Scar you have always shared everything with him this is no different." Fine after breakfast tomorrow I'll meet with both of you and tell him. "Good do you need anything before I let you go to bed?" No mom I just want to go to bed and forget this night ever happened. She kisses my forehead before she leaves, closing my door. I slide under my blanket and fall into a sleep plagued by the memories of that asshole who was supposed to be my mate.

#### The Next Day

### Scarlett POV

When I wake up and for a moment, I'm not thinking about last night, but then it all comes rushing back. Ember hasn't spoken to me since that asshole rejected me. "Scarlett, are you ok my girl?" Yes Ember I will be I'm sorry you lost your mate. "Don't you dare apologize, any man that doesn't want you is not a man at all." I know but you lost your mate because of it. "I'm sure we will nd second chance." Don't say that Ember I don't want to even think about that. She whimpers and blocks me. I don't mean to upset her, but I am never going to be some Alpha's Luna, so I will just have to focus on being the best Alpha to my pack. After I'm dressed, I head down to breakfast. I sit down in between Maggie and my mother. Maggie leans in and whispers in my ear. "He is an asshole and doesn't deserve you Scar." I smile at her language and what she just said. I put my hand on her arm. Let's eat Maggie and maybe we can go shopping later. She bounces in her chair like I promised her the moon. I look over and I can see the concern on my father's face. After breakfast, dad I link him and he nods at me.

After breakfast, I walk to my father's oce where he and my mother are waiting. I go to sit next to my mother before I tell my father what happened. "What happened baby girl at the ball last night?" Dad, before I tell you, you have to promise to abide by my wishes. I can see his eyes darken before he promises me. My mate rejected me last night because I wanted to remain an Alpha and not be a Luna. I don't want to say the rest but my mother looks at me. "Scarlett the whole story." "What else could he have possibly done that's worse than that" my father growls. Dad, please be calm. I don't want anything done. I'm not telling you his name. "Tell me what he did to you Scarlett." He mated me before he rejected me. My father's eyes turn black and my mother jumps up out of her chair, wrapping herself around him.

"Xander, you need to calm down." "This is not going to help Scarlett." "This poor excuse for an Alpha needs to be brought before the Elders for his crime", my father says to me. Daddy, please let this go and let me just move on. I see his eyes return to their normal color and he comes around the desk wrapping me up. I haven't called him daddy since I was a kid but I needed him to listen and hear me. "Ok Scarlett if that's what you really want, we will let this go." Thank you dad, it is what I really want. He kisses my forehead and I turn to walk out of his oce. "Scarlett, please don't let this close your heart off to the possibility of a second chance", my mother says with a smile on her face. I know she means well because my dad was her second chance at happiness. I'll do my best, but right now I just want to focus on my Alpha duties. My father nods and I see my mother's smile fall at my response.

## One Month Later

# Scarlett POV

I am in the bathroom puking my guts out. When I'm nished, I stand up at the mirror wiping my face with a wet washcloth. What the hell is wrong with me? I've never been sick in my life. I hear a knock on the bathroom door and when I open it my mother is standing there. "Scar what's wrong I came to tell you about lunch and I heard you puking." I don't know I feel sick to my stomach the last few days. I see her eyes get big like she knows what's wrong with me. What is it mom? "Let's go over to the pack hospital before we jump to any conclusions." No, tell me what you think is wrong with me before we go mom. "I don't know if I'm right, but based on you being sick I think you might be pregnant Scar." I feel like I was just punched in the stomach. This has to be a joke that d\*\*k not only rejected me but now I'm knocked up. "Scar, let's go make sure before you get yourself upset." Ok lets go mom, I need to know right now. We walk over and the doctor takes us right to the back. They draw blood and we sit waiting for the results.

About a half an hour later, Dr. Stone comes back in with a smile on his face.

"Congratulations Scarlett, your pregnant." I start to cry and my mother ushers the doctor out of the room. "Scarlett, I know how you feel right now, but I will tell you this I wouldn't change anything about how you came to be and your going to feel the same way when you hold this pup in your arms." This isn't the way it was supposed to happen mom.

"Everything doesn't always happen the way we think it should but we are the one's that determine how things turn out." I wrap my arms around my mother. I'm scared mom. I never thought I would be doing this by myself. "You are not by yourself." "We will be with you every step of the way, Scarlett." How am I going to tell dad this he still wants to kill Zane? I slap my hand over my mouth. "Don't worry Scar, I won't tell your father his name." Thank you mom, I just want to raise my pup and forget about him. Mom leads me to my father's oce and when we walk in, my father is on his feet. "What's the matter Scarlett?" "Nothing is wrong, we just need to talk to you Xander, so sit down please." "Why do I feel like that's not true?" Dad I'm pregnant I blurt out. His eyes get big and then he lifts me in a

hug. I'm so confused at this moment. When he sets me on my feet, he puts his hands on

my face. "I'm going to have a grand pup." You aren't upset? "I would never be upset about

a pup." I wrap my arms around my father and realize how lucky I am to have my family.