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Donny the Evolved Gorilla

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Once upon a time on Earth in the not-so-distant future, climate change had wreaked havoc on the planet. Years of environmental degradation had led to rising sea levels, extreme weather conditions, and catastrophic events that threatened the very existence of life on Earth. As the situation worsened, scientists and researchers worked tirelessly to find a solution. That is when they turned to the animal kingdom, seeking a partner with the intelligence and adaptability to take on climate change. Then emerged an extraordinary hero—Donny, the evolved gorilla born in the Madagascar National Zoo. He had been the result of a groundbreaking experiment in the zoo's sanctuary aimed at enhancing the cognitive abilities of gorillas to help them adapt to the changing world. Exemplified by his abilities to understand human behavior and imitate it, he was named Donny, short for Donatello, the Italian sculptor. By age three, Donny was communicating in sign language fluently and practicing regular human behavior, including personal hygiene, differentiating between right and wrong, etc. Once his DNA genome and brain were decoded, they concluded that Donny had evolved beyond the ordinary ape. In fact, Donny functioned beyond the level of present-day humans. As news of this spread, Donny became a beacon of hope for a world on the brink of disaster.

By the time Donny was twelve years old, the evolved ape had been educated and mastered various studies of the sciences at Stanford with a PhD in solar physics and energy science, along with an MD from Harvard. Working alongside the top scientists and researchers from all over the world, Donny developed a device called the hydro-energizer; this device could transfer the kinetic energy from the flow of water throughout the whole world into an energy source that could be tapped into and supply the world with energy.

The invention of this everlasting energy source came with major challenges. The various powerful nations of the world made several attempts to take control of this source of energy, as control of this would mean control of the world economies, militaries, daily life, etc. It would allow for control of most aspects of human life. But Donny vowed to ensure that no person, power, or entity could claim ownership of the device. When presenting his device to the United Nations, Donny made it clear that his goal was for everyone in the world to have access to this energy.

The device was set up in a facility based along the Amazon River in South America. About one week after the activation of the hydro-energizer, an attack was made on the United Nations facility containing it. Several dozen armed soldiers converged upon the

facility with the intent of taking control of the device. Donny saw the attack and knew what he had to do. He broke the device down to a compact form, which he could carry with his great strength. Then he unleashed his full gorilla mode. Using both his arms and legs, Donny was able to sprint out of the facility. His size and speed made him like a tank on corvette wheels, causing mayhem to anyone who dared to stop him. Donny was able to reach a UN helicopter, and he knew right away where he'd go.

Donny set course for the Madagascar National Zoo: his birthplace and home to the Sanctuary of Evolved Apes. Once Donny landed, he was met with an enormous mass of what seemed to gorillas just like him. Years after his birth, scientists had been able to replicate his biological markers and create a whole generation of evolved gorillas, each with their own special abilities. From then on, the sanctuary became home to the source of the world's energy. Maintained and protected by the evolved gorilla kingdom, the hydro-energizer would go on to produce clean, renewable energy and unify the world's nations with a common goal of healing our planet.