

"BEAUTY IS POWER.

"AND POWER...
IS BEAUTIFUL.

"THE IMMACULATE PERFECTION
OF *VENUS* HAS BEEN SHIELDED
FROM JEALOUS EYES BY OUR
HEAVY CLOUDS...

"BUT IT IS
TIME THE OTHER
WORLDS ARE
BEAUTIFIED,
IMPROVED, AND
BROUGHT TO
ORDER."

SO SAYS
**QUEEN
HESPER--**

--THE MOST
BEAUTIFUL
AND POWERFUL
OF ALL!

HAIL
HESPER!
HAIL
VENUS!



YOU HAVE DONE **WELL**,
MY BATTLE PRINCESSES.
USING THE BLESSED POWER
OF OUR NATIVE MINERAL, THE
APHRODITE, OTHER RACES
HAVE BEEN **TRANSFORMED!**



STRONGER,
PRETTIER,
OBEDIENT!
BETTER IN
EVERY WAY.

WE WILL NOT
REST UNTIL **ALL**
WORLDS HAVE BEEN
REVITALIZED!

ALL STARS
WILL REVOLVE
AROUND **MY**
WILL!

THE
ENTIRE
MILKY WAY
WILL BE
MY
WAY!





...AS SOON AS WE HAVE AN ANSWER TO *MARS*.

I COULD MUTATE EVERYTHING WITH A PULSE IN THE SOLAR SYSTEM, AND IT *STILL* WOULDN'T BE ENOUGH TO OVERCOME THEIR ARMIES.

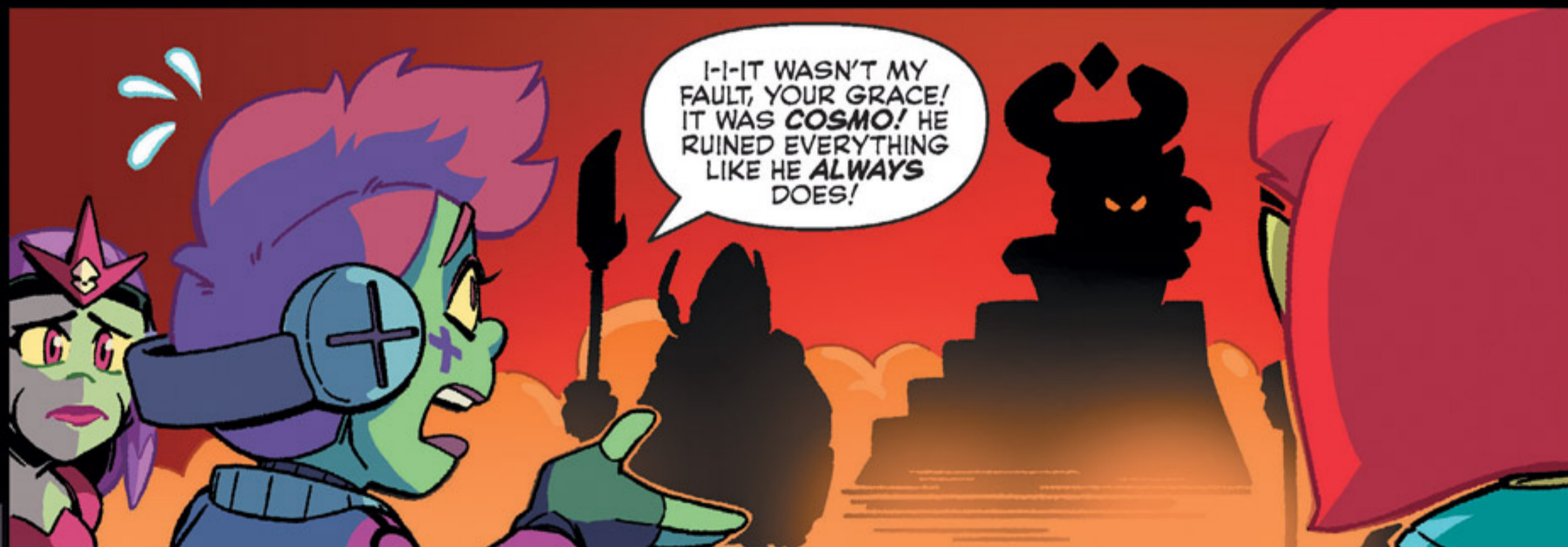


IT WOULD BE A DIFFERENT STORY IF I COMMANDED ALL *THREE* OF THE ANCIENT MARTIAN RELICS.

I ALREADY HAVE *TWO*, AND SHOULD'VE RECEIVED THE *THIRD* FROM SATURN BY NOW.



WHAT.
HAPPENED.
SHIH?



I-I IT WASN'T MY FAULT, YOUR GRACE! IT WAS *COSMO*! HE RUINED EVERYTHING LIKE HE *ALWAYS* DOES!



I-IT WAS THE SAME ON THE MOON! I HAD EVERYTHING UNDER CONTROL UNTIL *THAT* JERK SHOWED UP!



I WILL NOT HAVE YOU SPEAK ILL OF HIM! HE HAS DONE *MUCH* TO ANGER ME, BUT HE'S STILL *MY* COSMO.



PERHAPS WE COULD CONSIDER A *PEACEFUL* APPROACH? WHY FIGHT COSMO, OR ALL OF MARS FOR THAT MATTER? PERHAPS WE COULD GET THEM TO *JOIN* OUR CAUSE?



BWA HA HA! HA HA!! HA HA HA HA HA HA HA!

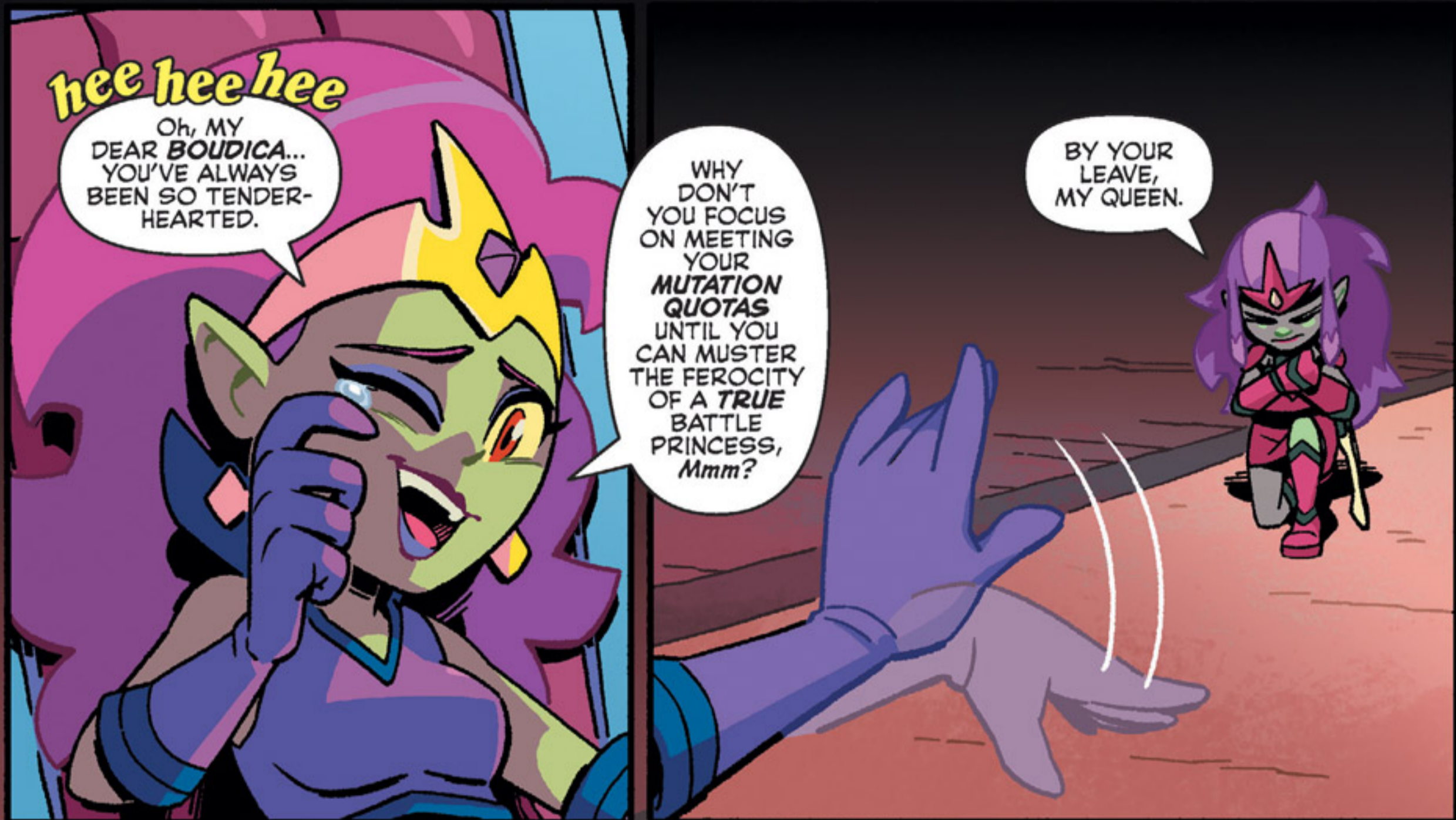


GET COSMO?! TO FOLLOW?! ANYONE?!

PEACE?! WITH MARS?!

HAHA HA!!



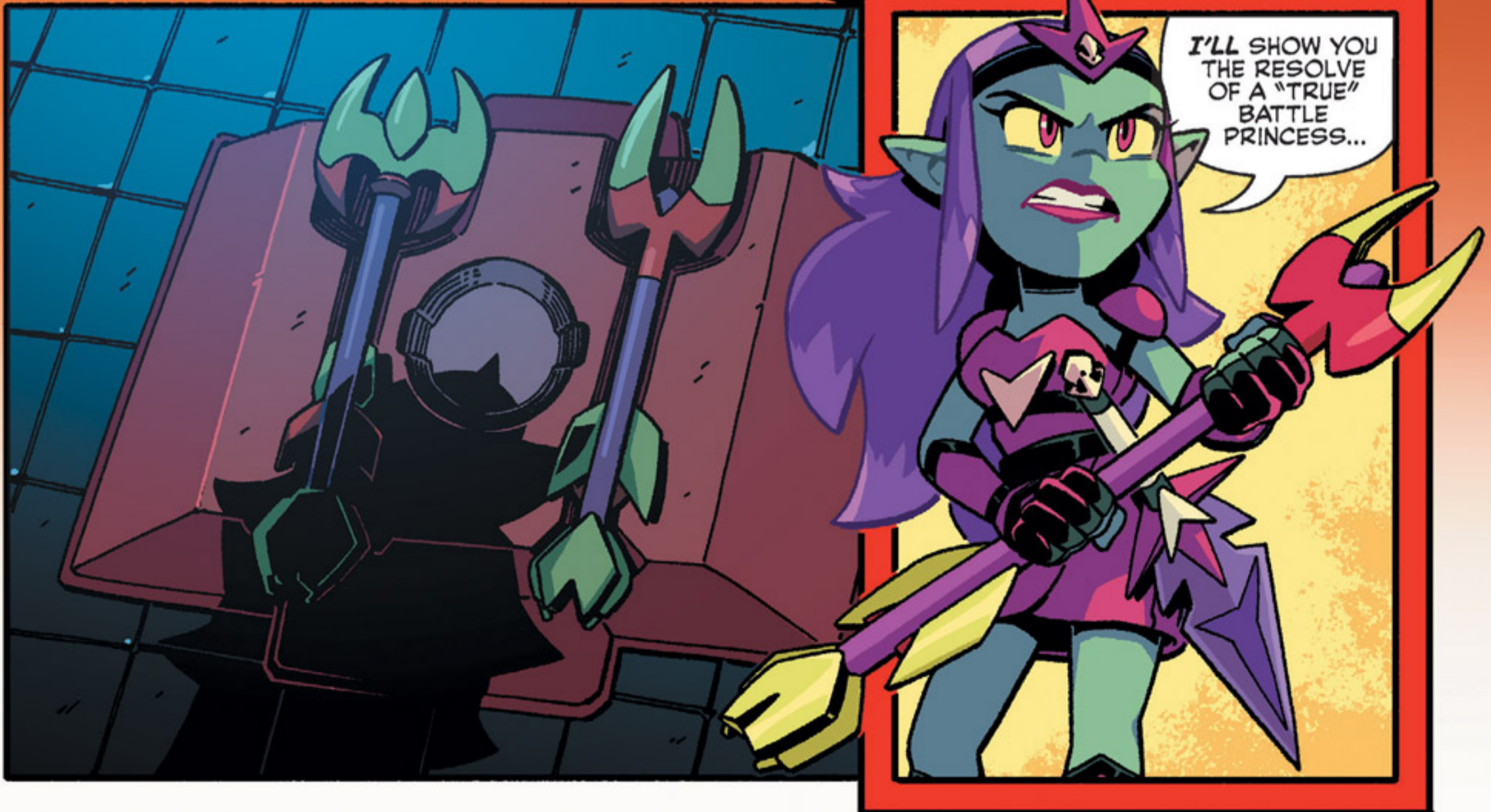


hee hee hee

Oh, MY DEAR **BOUDICA**... YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN SO TENDER-HEARTED.

WHY DON'T YOU FOCUS ON MEETING YOUR **MUTATION QUOTAS** UNTIL YOU CAN MUSTER THE FEROCITY OF A **TRUE BATTLE PRINCESS**, Mmm?

BY YOUR LEAVE, MY QUEEN.



I'LL SHOW YOU THE RESOLVE OF A "TRUE" BATTLE PRINCESS...