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Stiff wire weeds,
bent,
broken,
hum haunting prophecy
of winter's destruction.
But wildflowers,
bright,
arresting,
splashes of yellow, deep
dark purple and blue,
make a last valiant effort,
sinking their roots deep,
clinging to the chilled
gray-polluted soil.
Faces turning
to the sun,
they drop their seeds,
as legacy,
against the evening frost.