

Elk's Lodge

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Once there was a mighty Elk
That had a room with a view
Of a motor lodge parking lot
Next to a petting zoo

He worked at the zoo for a man
Who gave him free room and board.
He had it pretty good, even though
He missed running with the horde.

By day he worked in his cage
And let children pet his nose
But he couldn't stop asking himself
"Is this the life I chose?"