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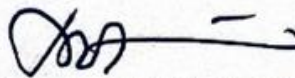
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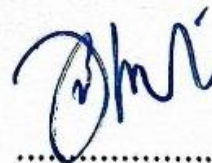
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-Kristen Proby, Easy Love (Boudreaux, #1)

*“ We can’t undo a move, but we can
make the next one better. ”*

-Edwin Tan

*“ Sometimes it takes ten years to get that one year that
changes your life. ”*

“ Sometimes you win, sometimes you learn. ”

*“ Tidak ada yang bisa membuatmu merasa rendah diri
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*“ If you are serious about changing your life, You’ll find a
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