

# Care dolci mammelle

attr. to Ottavio Rinuccini (1562-1621)

Canto (part 1 of 5)

Ruggiero Giovannelli (c.1560-1625)

*Il primo libro de madrigali à 5 voci* (Angelo Gardano press, Venice, 1586)

The musical score consists of six staves of music in common time (indicated by '4' at the top of each staff) and treble clef. The lyrics are written below the notes. Measure numbers 1 through 35 are indicated above the staff.

1 Ca - re dol - ci mam-mel - le, Co-me chia-mar vi deg-gio, co-me chia-mar vi  
5 deg-gio: Ge - lo d'a-mor, co-me chia-mar vi deg-gio: ge - lo d'a-mor o del suo fo - co seg -  
gio, Om - bra d'a-man - ti o stel - le, om-bra d'a - man-ti o stel -  
10 15  
le, A - cer - ba mor - te o vi - ta, Dol - ce  
20  
ci - bo a que-st'oc - chi o to-sco al co - re, Ohi - mè mi di-ce a-mo -  
25  
re, Ci-bo e to - sco con-vien-si al-la tua sor - te: Ge - lo, ge - lo, fo -  
30  
- co, om - bra, stel - le, vi - ta e mor - te,  
35  
stel - le, vi - ta e mor - te, stel - le, vi - ta e mor - te.

A key signature change to 6/2 is indicated above the staff at measure 35.