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Dear Governor Haley

The Battle Flag of the Republic.

One should never rewrite history. Those who do so are currying favour with a segment of the population, in order to ensure their political future.

The historical facts are clear. The Battle Flag was the last thing seen by countless thousands of young men as they lay dying, shot to pieces for a cause in which they believed. That cause was not slavery. Nobody would be that stupid.

Most nations have banned capital punishment. However, it was common in Roman times. The crucifix is a constant reminder of how the Roman's executed criminals. The whole of Christianity gathers around a symbol for capital punishment. I suppose that the politically correct will eventually demand that all crosses, and crucifixes, be removed. This is exactly the same line of capricious argument used in the flag debate - a line that should be totally rejected by all rational people.

However, a compromise is always possible. I would suggest that the central white star in the Battle Flag be changed to black, with a thin white border. This would link that historic period to the slavery reality. It would also commemorate those black southerns who also fell. In this way we add history to the flag, instead of simply burning it.

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