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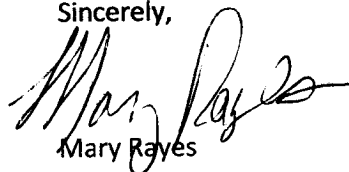
Re: Speech a masterpiece of Hypocrisy

Governor Haley:

I couldn't help but notice the hypocrisy in your speech last night. Let's see, "Don't listen to the noise," the theme of your speech. In fact you DID listen to the noise, and the "angry voices" when you brought down the Confederate flag and thus became of the leader of the ugly purge of all things Confederate. You seem to gloat, and wear as a badge of honor, that you "removed a divisive symbol." Any and all symbols, and flags, can be divisive to some. What you did was stomp on the graves of the brave, honorable men who died to protect their homeland. You carry the banner of grandstanding and giving in to political correctness out of control.

However, I can understand why the southern heritage, and history, would mean little to you. Your heritage is India, and you have no ties and forbearers who lived, fought and died for the south. Would the Sikh Wars have any sentiment for us? What is shocking is that the people of your state stood by, and out of cowardliness, allowed this act of dishonor to occur. In that respect, they deserve you. As the great grand daughter of 2 Confederate veterans, I am shamed and dishonored by this feeding frenzy that had its initiation in South Carolina.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mary Rayes".

Mary Rayes