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Message:

Hi Governor Haley, I am sure that you don't have time to sit and read messages all day but I wanted to share my view with someone. I know with all the things that have gone on lately and now in Charleston that people are saying that we need tighter gun control laws. But I just wanted to point out what many people already know, but sometimes don't think about. Criminals don't care about gun control, they don't care about where you can and can't carry a gun either. Drugs are illegal, so what happens? People still use them but they have to sneak and smuggle it into the US, the same would happen with guns. The people who do care and who do listen are the people that rarely commit crimes. I would venture to say that of all of the murders and crimes that happen in our state that almost all of them are committed by someone who does not have a concealed weapon's permit. At the end of the day it doesn't matter if what happened in Charleston was a hate crime, the point is someone took an innocent life, but to many people want to focus on what color people are. By focusing on what color they were is a form on racism in its self. The media wants to focus on this and "stir the pot" to keep people mad, but where was the media coverage for the lady who shot an armed gunman at her church? Or the black cop who shot an unarmed white man, my point is that gun control won't fix our state or country. Our state and country are slowly unraveling and I myself can say that I feel better knowing that i can carry a gun, of which no one knows about and if someone decides to threaten the life of my wife or two children I would protect them, I took it very seriously when I got my concealed weapon's permit and I read the laws every few months to make sure I know what changes and where I can and can't carry. I am sure you have gotten thousand's of email's and I don't know if you will ever see this message or if it even get's read but I just wanted to possibly make someone stop and think for a minute about what the real issue is. Thank you for your service, I am sure that being the Governor is anything but easy.