

To the Editor July 23, 2020

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· Protests are not to be called riots, unless you are seeking to fan the flames of popular discontent. This is however a recently popular overt and transparent political tactic.

This country was birthed on protests. It has been rebirthed from time to time on protests advocating women's rights, marriage rights, minority human and voting rights, protests against unjust wars, unjust labor conditions and laws, and many others.

All of this protesting and subsequent positive changes has and continues to make us collectively stronger and more just as a nation.

This is one of those times again, where we all have the opportunity to continue the struggle to build a more perfect union, or be a boil on the body of progress.

The young are now running the engine and driving the train toward a better future. It is the least we can do as the generations who have failed to give them a better future than we had, to get the HELL off the brakes.

After hundreds of years of systemic and systematic racial discrimination, injustice, violence, and murder, Mr. Zimmer should be grateful that BLM is advocating for equality and not coming for retribution.

As has been noted in my previous letters to the editor at RJT, I am a believer in redemption. I would suggest that Mr. Zimmer seek out a personal medical intervention in the field of Cranium-Rectal Inversion therapy.

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