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My response to the article distributed in The Atlantic September 2017 is that I have confidence in kapernick and what he is doing. I construe that is basic that we chat on this issue since time is repeating itself and people are unnerved to talk regarding the current matter. Colin Kaprenick is a NFL player he has a colossal fan base and numerous people that respect him. I thoroughly agree with Colin Kaepernick's position and message since it is time that we convey something particular and have people open their eyes to the perspective and stand that we are taking in this issue. I trust that taking a knee amid the national song of devotion is in any event the most better than average thing he can do as opposed to causing pessimism, disarray, and bringing fighting dissimilar to the vast majority. Colin Kapernick has set a pattern for football players to standing firm and in addition other making an impression on the oppressor's. As a dark men with much pride for my way of life and my kin, and accepting what I remain for, I would make a similar move that Kapernick took. The purpose of taking the knee implies putting stock in freedom and equity for all, to spread uniformity, flexibility peace and love to all individuals, meeting up in solidarity as sibling, sisters' and companions joining to improve an America and to stop the brutality and mischief the law authority's and others are conveying to my African American individuals. We need to start communicating convictions and getting out things for what it is. There are numerous people that are losing steadiness for the structure and for it to change. We require a change and soon or everyone will continue executing each other hunting down answers. I do assume that he was passing on everything that should be passed on as an American, as an African American at that. We have such countless that need to chat on this issue however were startled to do thusly. We have some individual that was in a high position in America and was not startled to address the issues going on. It was to a great degree benevolent of him and I stand by his exercises.

YES I'M BLACK!

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Yes I'm black, that doesn't mean I'm vulnerable to attack,

I'm just like you, a human, red blood, emotions and a moving figure,

Why should you treat me like I'm about to pull a trigger?

I didn't create sagging, I didn't create gang banging so why would you want to

put the worst on me?

To get me jailed, tortured, and then to set me free?

My shadow is scared to walk beside me. Yes, because my shadow is black.

Walking to school to get my education, and they want to search my backpack.

It doesn't matter how long you live, but the way you live.

Having and living life is my greatest gift.

Are we recognized for what we have done? We will surely be recognized if we walk the streets with a gun.

People are scared to accept their ethnicity,

Because the color of our skin decide our destiny.

But my destiny is to stay strong, and fight not physically but verbally.

I don't have to be Alfred Austin to develop words of wisdom and passion

But I can be another student who stands to speak his mind and let it free.

We are not perfect; we all have done wrong at times

We all don't shine, but when we spot success we will surely climb

Getting an education to make legal dine is a no for them, they prefer to see us do crime.

Our first step as males is to have a respectful personality,

Pull up your pants and lets all face reality and understand that a man can't

ride your back unless it's bent.

And for a bigger step we all shall repent.

Very often black teenager's face grazes the metal fences and concrete walls, while being tortured by cops

If you're passing by and you're black think again if you want to stop

You will have more finger print than you ever had in your paint book,

They will put charges on you that have occurred way before you were on earth.

They will throw you in jail, kick, spit and treat you like dirt.

This isn't about the rhyme, because I would surely do it all the time.

But thank you if I have kept your attention.

Being black wasn't a choice or intention

I'm already black, there is no correction,

I will keep living up! No way my life will be a recession!