

WHY I SHOULD HONOR THE AMERICAN FLAG

Honor means sacrifices that millions of Americans and non-Americans have made to shape this nation so that we can have privileges. Privileges are what is defined in the Declaration of Independence that which grants us Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness. The American flag represents these very ideals. These values are why I honor the American flag.

When our Founding Fathers went to start a life that would greatly impact our world, they had many risks to take. They left friends, loved ones, and their traditions to start a new and better life. A precious life that required to shed blood, sweat, and tears. They faced an uncharted world full of dangers, disasters, and many surprises. When my family immigrated to this country, they too faced the same circumstances and succeeded as our Founding Fathers did. They bled, sweat, and cried to start anew for themselves and their family.

There are many who would try to take away these privileges, particularly liberty. Many around the world do not have such freedom. In the wars we have fought, men and women who have served this country gave their all so that we may have independence. Over two million have given up their lives in all the wars fought together to save our liberty. We should not let our soldiers die in vain.

While our country worries about external conflicts, we also suffer from internal struggles. We do not live in a perfect world. What separates us from other countries is that we believe, in not only one, but that all have the right to the pursuit of happiness. The pursuit of happiness is the right to build our own life, to seek to live our dream. As an example, I can succeed where I could not in my own country. I can become whatever I want to be whether it is a doctor, a lawyer, or even the President of the United States. There are no boundaries to what I can achieve in America. That is why everyone in the world tries to immigrate here. America is the greatest country in the world. It is values of Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness that is America. The American flag represents these ideas. And these are the reasons why I honor the American flag.