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"IF I RULED DA WORLD" BY NAS LAURYN HILL

I WANT TO PAY RESPECTS TO A GREAT MAN WHO LED THE WAY TO DEMOCRATIC RULE THAT TRANSFORMED LIVES OF BLACKS BEING DENIED CITIZENSHIP IN THEIR OWN COUNTRY BY A MINORITY WHITE GOVERNMENT, AN EXTRAORDINARY MAN NELSON MANDELA LED A STRUGGLE FOR FREEDOM THAT MIMICRED THAT OF MARTIN LUTHER KING JR & MALCOM-X, BECAUSE IN 1960, THE RACIST GOVERNMENT OPENED FIRE ON BLACK DEMONSTRATORS IN SHARPEVILLE, SOUTH AFRICA, REFUSING 5,000 PEOPLE TO PROTEST "PASS LAWS", AS 69 BLACKS WERE KILLED & 200 INJURED IN THE INCIDENT, BEFORE HE WAS SENT TO PRISON IN 1963 AT AGE 44 ON TRUMP UP CHARGES OF TRYING TO OVERTHROW THE RACIST GOVERNMENT, NELSON MANDELA HAD REMAINED IN PRISON FOR 27 YEARS, OFTEN UNDER SEVERELY HARSH CONDITIONS, AN HEARING ABOUT THE REGINA MUNDI CATHOLIC CHURCH IN SOWETO, SOUTH AFRICA THAT OFFERED ANTI-APARTHEID ACTIVISTS REFUGE FROM POLICE BULLETS & TEAR GAS DURING ANOTHER RACIST ATTACK MADE BY THE WHITE GOVERNMENT FAMOUS IN THE 1976 UPRISING IN WHICH THOUSANDS OF STUDENTS PROTESTED & MORE THAN 100 DIED, LIVING IN A SYSTEM MUCH LIKE AMERIKKA, IN WHICH BLACKS COULD NOT WALK ABOUT FREELY OR VISIT FRIENDS IN OTHER PLACES, BECAUSE THE GOVERNMENT KEPT TRACK OF THEIR EVERY MOVE, NOT PROVIDING THEM ELECTRICITY OR PLUMBING, BECAUSE BLACK PEOPLE COULD ONLY BE TEACHERS, POLICE, NURSES, OR BE DOMESTIC WORKERS, UNTIL TODAY, MORE PEOPLE IN SOUTH AFRICA CAN GO TO COLLEGE WITH SCHOLARSHIPS & CHOOSE THEIR OWN CAREER PATHS, AS NELSON MANDELA HAS MADE EVERYTHING POSSIBLE FOR A COUNTRY BEING OPPRESSED, FIGHTING THE STRUGGLE WITH THE ANC, BEFORE BEING RELEASED IN 1990 AFTER YEARS OF CIVIL PROTEST IN SOUTH AFRICA & EVERYWHERE ELSE WORLDWIDE... ITS MANY PEOPLE DIDNT KNOW ABOUT THE RACIST APARTHEID SYSTEM IN SOUTH AFRICA, WAS MUCH THE SAME AS SLAVERY IN AMERIKKA, THAT EXTENDS BACK TO THE BEGINNING OF WHITE SETTLEMENT IN SOUTH AFRICA IN 1652, MAKING LAWS TO RESTRICT BLACK AFRIKANS TO OWN LAND, ENTRENCHING THE WHITE MINORITY'S CONTROL OF OVER 80 PERCENT OF SOUTH AFRIKAN LAND & OTHER LAWS PROHIBITING MOST SOCIAL CONTACTS BETWEEN THE RACES, & RACIAL SEGREGATION... I CANT HELP BUT THINK, THAT ALL WHITES APPLAUD THAT HE IS NOW PASSED AWAY, NOT SHOWING RESPECT TO THIS MAN, BECAUSE NELSON MANDELA BECAME A WORLDWIDE SYMBOL OF RESISTANCE TO THE INJUSTICE OF HIS COUNTRY'S APARTHEID SYSTEM, AN THAT SOUTH AFRICA IS STILL UNDER THE SAME RACIST SYSTEM, AS WHEN IT ALL BEGAN, AN NOTHING HAS CHANGED UNTIL WE TAKE BACK OUR MOTHERLAND.....