

THE FLAG OF AMERICA

The flag means freedom, it symbolizes a new beginning for all whether Mexican, Puerto- Rican or African American. The flag has been around for many years and this is what my interpretation of the Pledge of Allegiance means:

I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE

I promise to remain loyal to my country

TO THE FLAG

This is a symbol of my freedom and everyone's uniqueness

OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

*This land, my home, which is a new beginning and a hope for
Something better*

TO THE REPUBLICAN

*To the government officials who work to insure our laws and
liberties*

FOR WHICH IT STAND

What I BELIEVE IS RIGHT AND JUST

ONE NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL

*Our country that cannot be divided, where all citizens will enjoy
freedom and be treated in a fair manner by the law*

At my school, Stevenson, I have a classmate who stands everyday to honor a flag she cannot see. I would often say to myself, "I wish she could see the flag." I feel the tactile flag should become a universal symbol and have a place here next to our cloth flag. If this was done, visually impaired people can be acknowledged, recognized, and feel accepted. More importantly, my blind classmate, Veronica should know that her sight limitation does not mean disability, but a different view. A flag that honors visually impaired people will serve as a reminder that our difference can be embraced, and included in our diverse country. A Braille flag can also serve as a sign of hope and respect for who we all areAmerican people.