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What a wonderful world it is when we stop worrying, and start breathing, living anew from the visions of hope and equality. Hello, my name is David Villanueva and who I am means the world to me. I am a student, I am a teacher, I am a governor, I am the republic, the elephant and the donkey that regulates my own destiny. But mainly I am the czar and the wise man flashing around the template of honor and respect to those that have not seen it yet. I am the czar and the wise man who can say no to those that bring us down. I am he who cries because the world is unhappy. I am he who worries if children are scared from past bullying experiences. In a realistic point of view, I am that lone man of 5 feet 4 inches. That one guy with the dark hair and shadow eyes that have not drifted far from truth. I'm that one student on campus with the heart of velvet fire that strives to make a change in the world. I've once been a victim of bullying to be exact, and perhaps even the bully itself. I've been the victim that has fallen in digression to rise again, and the bully that never did anything about it when others were taunted or pushed to the extent of breaking. Heck I'm no superman, not even a mortal batman who physically stops the bad guy, but I am the Martin Luther Jr. the Cesar Chavez, the John Lewis and even that lone man from Tiananmen square that stands with his heart in regression against inequality because it's the right thing to do. And it doesn't take a real genius to realize where the diversity in bullying rises from, it just takes a listen, a simple one to one talk with someone. Its that first step that really makes all the difference. That first step that rescues a person from who knows what. Maybe only themselves. But I believe the world is wonderful no matter if it beats you up or calls you names. I believe the power of the youth is really who's making a strive to listen now a days. I believe it's the little grownups in society that still see compassion in all us to make tomorrow, that much more sweeter to live in