

Activists remove statue of former vice president John Calhoun in South Carolina



Charleston, June 25 (RHC)-- In Charleston, South Carolina, the city has begun removing a statue of former Vice President John Calhoun, who was a staunch advocate of slavery and a slaveholder himself.

The Charleston City Council voted unanimously to remove the monument after the 115-foot-high statue was repeatedly targeted by protesters. The monument is located in Marion Square, a block from the Mother Emanuel AME Church where nine African American worshippers were gunned down in 2015 by white supremacist Dylann Roof.

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