Another black man dies, another grand jury doesn't indict

W hat happened Wednesday in Washington is incomprehensible. A grand jury failed to indict a police officer for the death of Eric Garner, a black man who died while he was being forcibly arrested and placed in a chokehold by a police officer. The injustice of this decision is difficult to put into words, especially when you consider that Garner was black and police brutality against black men is epidemic throughout the country.

And now we're where we were last week—blame, blame, blame. Who's to blame? We've moved past the day of the collection of conflicting testimony and evidence made it impossible to decipher what happened and what really happened. Will Brown's family should have felt threatened by Brown. This is a topic for a healthy community. It shouldn't be silenced now.

It's a tragic moment in our national life, a moment so profoundly and with volatility across the country that we are entering that zone of discomfort where the peanut gallery can rise to the level of illegality. There is an opportunity to entertain the idea that none of us escapes if we are on the planet.

Letter to the Journal

A topic for a healthy community

To the Editor: Whatever you think of Darren Wilson in the fatal shooting of Michael Brown, I am left with one question: What would Michael Brown have done if he thought Wilson was going to pull his gun and grab him? I am left with one question: What would he have done if he thought Wilson was going to pull his gun and grab him? I am left with one question: What would he have done if he thought Wilson was going to pull his gun and grab him? I am left with one question: What would he have done if he thought Wilson was going to pull his gun and grab him?

We wish Staten Island District Attorney Daniel Rosemos to consider that not bringing charges against Wilson does not indicate a lack of clear view of the Garner death into crimes of manslaughter. The grand jury declined to bring charges. But state law left, with a grand jury's inaction reverberating into the social conscience. Garner was black. Pirandello is white. For generations, Michael Brown was thrust into a position of silence—silenced by police officers, silenced by the New York City medical examiner who said Garner died of a heart attack, and silenced by the Borough of Queens county jail where he was held.

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Yes, it is a wonderful life

To the Editor: Yes, it is a wonderful life, and there is a useful life apart from it. That was the message of my favorite movie. I tried to resist ending the death of Michael Brown at the age of 16.

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