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OPINION:

America's Surging Magic Crisis Must Be Dealt With, And Fast

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Our country is facing a crisis unlike anything we have faced before. There is no precedent. In our contemporary world, where social media can transmit thoughts and ideas across thousands of miles in the blink of an eye, hatred and bigotry spread like wildfire. Simply put, people are scared. Magic, and the people that wield it, bring a new danger to our streets, the likes of which we don't yet know how to measure to keep in check. Left to (for lack of a better word) fester, we have no idea the ramifications that could result. America must take a firm stance, and make sure that this very public issue does not result in the destruction of our country. Discrimination has been an underlying factor in the development of this nation since its founding. Racism, sexism, antisemitism, and so much more have found a way to permeate so many different facets of our everyday lives. Our country struggles to overcome these barriers that have been set in their ways for so long. Many will argue that the issue of magic is no different, that discrimination against people with these abilities is just plain wrong. I'd love to agree with you. But the fact of the matter is, this instance is different.



Magic has the capabilities to cause real harm to our society, from increased crime and property damage all the way to loss of life, intentional and unintentional alike. Congress's passing of a first wave of legislation protecting the public use of magic is a step in the wrong direction. It will only serve to sow discord in the American public, stirring fear into the populace. In a dangerous, fearful, and discriminatory world, this protection will only result in more divisiveness, and may lead to violence, destruction, and even death, perpetrated by both sides of this growing conflict. Strict regulations must be imposed, to maintain the safety and security of both those with magic and those without. The fate of the country may be hanging in the balance.