

JEFFERSON DAVIS

President of The Confederate States of America

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“The past is dead; let it bury its dead, its hopes and its aspirations; before you lies the future—a future full of golden promise; a future of expanding national glory, before which all the world shall stand amazed. Let me beseech you to lay aside all rancor, all bitter sectional feeling, and to take your places in the ranks of those who will bring a consummation devoutly to be wished—a reunited country.”

Speech made by Jefferson Davis at
Mississippi City, Mississippi, in 1888

“Clarus et vir fortissimus”