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Dear Governor Haley,

Hi! My name is Bambi and I live in York - which is near Rock Hill. I want to tell you my story.

You see, I was disabled in a car wreck in 1999. I spent nearly a year in the hospital, three months I was in a cast. I had over 25 surgeries, including the amputations of 8 fingers as well as the thumb of my right hand. I stay in constant and severe pain and am now in a wheelchair. I have blood clots in both legs, and phantom pain from my amputations.

My mother died from cancer in 1991 and five years later, in March 2004, my father died from congestive heart failure. In January 2014, my sister died after a long illness. I get a disability check of \$1000 a month but cannot get food stamps and I have applied several times.

I cannot seem to get a power wheelchair, as it is very difficult for me to try to use a manual wheelchair.

I want to go back to school

don't know if I can afford it.

I know you are very busy but I would love to hear from you. My birthday is coming up soon and I love to meet you one day. If not possible, an autographed picture would be wonderful.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to hearing from you soon, hopefully.

Sincerely,
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