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Governor Nikki Haley,

South Carolina is one of a shrinking number of states that still somewhat respects the US Constitution and hasn't amassed a crushing debt to pay for its local government activities. Believe me, people and businesses take notice. We recently moved here from Florida. Nikki Haley, never get pressured into accepting that more government is the solution to whatever problems are on the horizon. A lean machine is a working machine. It's the bloated blue states that are in deep trouble, not the lean red states.

You are in a tough spot, surrounded by politicians on a daily basis. Politicians in general are the problem in today's USA. Politicians think they know better, but they don't. They think that if they only had a few more tax dollars to play with, everything would be so much better, and kinks, the result of their recent stupid laws passed, would magically go away. They never learn, do they? Big government is the cancer of society and we the people sent you, Nikki Haley, in to kick ass. I imagine it is very tempting to give in to the enormous forces of stupidity and churning ineptitude that call for your surrender to big government. If you feel overwhelmed, do away with the staff members around you that aren't showing, in action and in speech, that big government really is the problem.

There are many ways South Carolina can still better its relationship with the US Constitution and the people. One of them is to pass a law that grants Constitutional Carry, the right of the people to own and bear arms, openly and concealed. No permit should be required to enjoy one's constitutional rights. This is common sense, but unfortunately a rarity in government. I'm sure you have ideas of what needs to be done, in other areas of legislation as well, making laws better mirror the US Constitution. Just go for it. Make it happen.

The Second Amendment, though a militia is mentioned, is not for the purpose of setting up government-approved militias equipped with muskets in time of need. The Second Amendment is listed in the Bill of Rights, which only applies to the individual. Or are we supposed to enjoy free speech only when we are at war with Great Britain and the government approves of free speech? A future American dictator will never arm militias for the purpose of overthrowing him. The militia is the people, and for militias to form the people must be allowed their own firearms at all times. This is common sense, but like I said, a rarity in government. Unfortunately, the types of firearms now allowed by big government politicians are not the firearms a militia will need. Kentucky is one of a few states in the union which allows the people to own and bear fully automatic assault rifles. I strongly recommend that South Carolina joins them and passes a law that allows for the same, along with Constitutional Carry. Be defiant of Washington politics, Nikki Haley. Do what is right.

Not all people can be trusted with Constitutional Carry in public though. I suggest the law ban people convicted of murder, rape, armed robbery, kidnapping, or genocide. These people should only be allowed guns in their own home for personal protection. Murderers may be dangerous, but politicians as a whole are much more dangerous to the US. The country is close to collapsing because of big government politicians, not because of murderers.

Nikki Haley, you address the body of the South Carolina government now and then. It would make me, and everyone else in South Carolina, very happy if you took the time to remind the gathered elected politicians that their oath is to the US Constitution and that they should work towards materializing the ideals of the US through legislation. What made the US the greatest country in the world is the respect for the individual, the allowance for freedom and creativity of the individual, a light burden of taxes enforced by the government so that the individual can invest in his own dreams. Many successful companies began as hobby projects in garages across the US. When people have money to spare, they can invest in their hobbies and small business plans. On the contrary, when government has money, money taken from the people, it invests in questionable ideas that tend to stall and create unwanted side effects in society, which then need more money to be corrected unsuccessfully, and the madness only grows and grows and grows. Detroit is an example of unhinged big government madness. If politicians had done nothing since the birth of the US, the US would be in much better shape today. Imagine no national debt. Imagine no American companies fleeing to China. It makes you tear up almost. Take public schools, for example. They don't work well. No wonder, because politicians decide what should be going on in them. In private schools, teachers and investors decide what should be going on. The people always know best. Politicians are almost always the problem. Politicians have a popularity rating of 5% among the people. Is anyone surprised???

There must be programs, institutions, departments, in South Carolina, paid for by tax dollars, that can be scrapped. Don't let the big government orators around you get to you. They don't understand the consequences of their thinking. The US of the past worked well. The US of today doesn't work at all, or barely so.

Nikki Haley, challenge the body of politicians to each come up with one cost that can be scrapped, or a program, a department. If there is a need for a service, the people will do it much better and at a much lower cost anyway through private initiatives. Imagine politicians running Burger King. How many weeks before that \$60 burger would arrive spoiled and cold? Politicians don't even want to be part of their own programs. They opt out all the time. They know they are useless at creating value. Let them show they understand by scrapping costs, scrapping their own past actions.

Nikki Haley, you have the people on your side in your daily endeavors battling big government politicians. Politicians need to be reined in, be at the end of a short leash. A very short leash. Don't give them the satisfaction of growing government one inch more.

Thank you for listening,



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