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The Honorable Nikki R. Haley
Office of the Governor
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Governor Haley:

It is with great pleasure that I nominate John P. Edwards to serve as the Secretary of Transportation. For the last few years, John has served on the South Carolina Department of Transportation Commission (SCDOT) and has worked closely with the Ports officials on traffic and material flow through Charleston and in the Upstate. Prior to serving on the SCDOT Commission, John was Chairman over the SC Department of Health and Environmental Control/Ocean and Coastal Resource Management dealing with all environmental permits along the coast of South Carolina.

John has been a great advocate for the Upstate and has served our state willingly and tirelessly. I know that John is very qualified and undoubtedly has the experience to continue to successfully serve South Carolina as the next Transportation Secretary. I have enclosed his resume for your review.

Thank you, in advance, for your consideration and thank you for your continuing service to the State of South Carolina. Should you have any questions regarding John's nomination, please feel free to contact my office at 212-6420.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Fair".

Mike Fair

cc: Ms. Katherine F. Veldran, Director of Legislative Affairs
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Personal Information

Age: 67

Place of Birth: Greenville, SC

Health: Good

Marital Status: Karolyn H. Edwards, Retired Educator, School District of Greenville County

Education

High School: Berea High, diploma, 1965

Technical School: Attended Greenville Technical College

U.S. Navy: Class A School

Military Service

1697-1969 US Navy Reserves (active duty on USS Wasp)

Work and Management Experience

1987-Present: President/CEO, Edwards Piping & Machinery, Inc.

1994-2005: Colonial Savings Bank, Camden, SC, Board of Directors
Poinsett Bank, Travelers Rest, SC, Board of Directors

2005: Carolina First Bank, Advisory Board, served until bought by TD Bank

Previous Public Service

2010-2014 – SC Department of Transportation Commissioner

2013 – SC Department of Transportation Commission, Chairman

1999-2010 – SC Ocean and Coastal Resource Management

2008-2010 – SC Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, Chairman

1994 – SC Insurance Commission

1993 – SC State Fire Marshall Board of Appeals

1991-1993 – North Greenville Fire District Commissioner

Other Public Service

Served on the Southern Side Board, Greenville, SC

Served on the Board of Visitors, Charleston Southern University, Charleston, SC

Served as deacon and elder, Trinity Presbyterian Church, Travelers Rest, SC