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The Honorable Nikki R. Haley
Governor, State of South Carolina
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Governor Haley:

Thank you for your continued support of our men and women in uniform. As you know from personal experience, your family has demonstrated military families make enormous sacrifices in defense of our great nation.

I am writing today regarding an appointment you have to the State Council of the Military Interstate Compact Commission (MIC3) under S.C. Code Ann. Section 59-46-40, which states in part:

SECTION 59-46-40. South Carolina Council on the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children; creation; membership; terms; expense reimbursement; submission of executive summary to Governor and General Assembly.

In accordance with the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children, there is created the South Carolina Council on the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children, referred to in this section as "council".

(A) The council consists of the following eleven members:

(1) the Governor or his designee;

Currently, the gubernatorial appointment is vacant as we received a letter of resignation from Susan Glaser pending relocation due to military orders. For your consideration, I respectfully request your approval of Lt. Colonel Felix Childs as Susan Glaser's replacement on the MIC3

Commission. Lt. Col. Childs and his family have personally experienced the impact of military life on families and children. A member of the U.S. Army Reserves since 1989, he has been on active duty in Afghanistan since January 2016, shortly after the birth of his first child. Felix just completed his third military deployment to the Middle East along with a prior deployment to Central America. He is married to Charmeka Childs, former Deputy Superintendent at the S.C. Department of Education (SCDE), who also ran for State Superintendent. He is returning to work as Director of Technology Support Services at the SCDE in December 2016, but will continue in the Army Reserves as a battalion commander in North Carolina. A graduate of Valdosta State (Bachelor of Business Administration) and Webster University (Masters in Information Technology Management), he has worked in state government since 1998 and has attended the South Carolina Executive Institute.

Felix would be a welcome addition to the State MIC3, and I respectfully submit this letter to you for his nomination to the Council under the authority granted to you by Section 59-46-40.

Sincerely,



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State Superintendent of Education