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**Subject:** Order of the Palmetto Presentation: Harris E. DeLoach  
**Location:** Coker College, 451 East Carolina Avenue, Hartsville, S.C.  
**When:** 8/22/2014 10:00:00 AM - 11:00:00 AM

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**APPROVED BY:** NRH on 7/23

**EVENT:** Order of the Palmetto Presentation: Harris E. DeLoach at the grand opening of the Harris E. and Louise H. DeLoach Center at Coker College

**DATE:** Friday, August 22, 2014

**TIME:** 10:00 AM

**LOCATION:** Coker College, Main Gymnasium, 451 East Carolina Avenue, Hartsville, S.C.

**LOCATION SET-UP:** The staging will include a raised platform, microphone, chairs for the members of the platform party, flags, etc., set up on the gymnasium floor near center court. The reception will take place in the cafe outside the gymnasium immediately following the formal presentations.

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**PURPOSE:** Gov. Haley will present Harris E. DeLoach at with the Order of the Palmetto at the grand opening of the Harris E. and Louise H. DeLoach Center at Coker College.

**PRESS:** Yes.

**PUBLIC:** Yes. It was on advised on Thursday that NH would be attending.

**INTRODUCED BY:** Dr. Robert Wyatt, Coker College President

**LENGTH OF SPEAKING:** Brief remarks.

**SPEAKING ORDER/LINE-BY-LINE:**

Welcome	Dr. Robert Wyatt, President of Coker College
Invocation	Rev. John Foster, III
Remarks	Dr. Robert Wyatt, President of Coker College
OOP Surprise	Gov. Haley
Remarks	Harris & Louise DeLoach
Remarks	Cindy Hartley, Chair of the Board of Trustees
Remarks	Dr. Lynn Griffin, VP of Athletics & Facilities
Remarks	Hailey Yohn, Class of 2015
Remarks	Kendrick Reed, Cass of 2015

**SUMMARY:**

- Harris is currently Executive Chairman of the Board of the Sonoco Products Company.
- He is a SC native and has dedicated over 25 years of service to the Hartsville based global consumer and industrial packaging company.
- He is credited with contributing to building Sonoco into one of the largest international corporations in SC.
- He has been instrumental in improving public education in Hartsville and the state through service on various boards.
- His many awards and recognitions include: Distinguished Citizen Award – Pee Dee Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America (2006); Businessman of the Year – SC Chamber of Commerce (2008); Townes Award – SC Governor's School for Science and Mathematics (2009); Laureate – SC Business Hall of Fame (2010); and the Will Woodham Business person of the Year – Hartsville Chamber of Commerce (2013)

**NOMINATORS:** **Per Rep. Lucas please try to recognize the two nominators below by name in the OOP presentation.**

- Rep. Jay Lucas
- Charles W. Coker

**NOTABLE ATTENDEES:**

**Representatives of Sonoco**

Mrs. and Mrs. Charlie Coker  
Mr. and Mrs. Larry Gantt (also a member of Coker's Board of Trustees)  
Mr. Allan McLeland (also a member of Coker's Board of Trustees)  
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Moran (also a member of Coker's Board of Trustees)  
Mr. Hal Cummings  
Mr. Jim Lassiter  
Mr. Barry Saunders  
Ms. Cindy Watts

**Members of the Coker Family**

Mr. Joseph Lawton  
Ms. Sara Wilds

**From the Governor's School for Science and Mathematics**

Dr. Murray Brockman

**From the Darlington County School District**

Superintendent Dr. Eddie Ingram

**From the City of Hartsville**

City Manager Natlie Zeigler  
Chief of Police James Hudson  
Mr. Jeff Burr  
Mr. Bryan Crowley  
Mr. David Wilkes

### **Additional Special Guests**

Mr. and Mrs. Harris DeLoach III  
Milliken CEO Joe Salley  
George Acker, Vice President of External Relations for Duke Energy

### **COKER COLLEGE MASCOT: Striker the Cobra**

### **ABOUT THE HARRIS E. AND LOUISE H. DELOACH CENTER:**

The Harris E. and Louise H. DeLoach Center is a \$12 million, 71,000 square foot, facility with state-of-the-art classrooms, a strength, training re-hab center (staffed via a partnership with Carolina Pines), a cafe and Cobra Club, and much more. It will serve the entire campus community and 19 NCAA D-II sports. The DeLoach Center anchors a campus expansion (the largest in institutional history) on a parcel that has been named Byerly Place, which, when complete will include up to six 48-unit residential facilities and the DeLoach Center. The first of the residential buildings, the Betty Y. and Charles L. Sullivan Jr. Residence Hall, was opened in The Village at Byerly Place on August 15, 2013.

### **Harris E. & Louise H. DeLoach BIO:**

Harris E. DeLoach Jr. served as chairman and chief executive officer at Sonoco Products Co. before he retired in April 2013. He is Executive Chairman of Sonoco's Board of Directors and a Trustee of The Duke Endowment. DeLoach was raised in Columbia and received his undergraduate and law degrees from the University of South Carolina. Louise DeLoach, A native of Conway, S.C., received a degree in early childhood education from Columbia College in 1969. Louise and Harris were married in 1969. Louise taught school for several years prior to becoming a full-time mother. The DeLoaches moved to Hartsville in 1972 where Louise has been very involved in various civic organizations in Hartsville. After practicing law in Hartsville for 13 years, Harris DeLoach began a career at Sonoco in 1986 when he was named vice president of administration and general counsel. After serving in leadership roles throughout the company, he joined Sonoco's Board of Directors in 1998. He was named president and CEO in 2000, and was elected chairman of the board in 2005. He also currently serves on the Board of Directors of Duke Energy and Milliken & Co. Bringing together stakeholders in private and public sectors, parents and community members, and educators at all levels, in 2011 under DeLoach's leadership, Sonoco committed \$5 million to establish PULSE, an innovative achievement program to support Hartsville students from kindergarten through high school graduation. DeLoach has served as attorney for the City of Hartsville and as chairman of the Hartsville Rotary Club, Greater Hartsville Chamber of Commerce and Darlington County Bar Association. He was a member of the Darlington County School Board, the Bank of America Advisory Board (Hartsville), he served on the Board of Directors for the Bank of Hartsville, Goodrich Corporation and Progress Energy. The recipient of an honorary Doctor of Laws degrees from Coker College and Lander University, DeLoach was chairman of Coker's Board of Trustees and he received the college's Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award. In addition, he was chairman of the Thomas Hart Academy Board of Directors and the Byerly Hospital and Byerly Foundation Board of Trustees, and he is the past chairman of the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce and The Palmetto Business Forum. Earlier this year, DeLoach was named the Will Woodham Business Person of the Year by the Hartsville Chamber of Commerce. DeLoach was inducted into the South Carolina Business Hall of Fame in 2010 and was named Business Person of the Year in 2008 by the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce. His numerous honors include the Rotary Citizen of the Year Award, Pee Dee Area Boy Scout Citizen of the Year Award, the Townes Award by South Carolina's Governor's School for Science and Math, the Distinguished Alumnus Award from the Moore School of Business at the University of South Carolina, and the University of South Carolina Distinguished Alumni Award.

**BACKGROUND:** Gov. Haley will present Harris E. DeLoach with the Order of the Palmetto at the grand opening of the Harris E. and Louise H. DeLoach Center at Coker College.

### **Harris E. and Louise H. DeLoach Center**

- \$12 million, 71,000 sq. ft. athletics facility.
- The facility includes state-of-the-art classrooms, a gymnasium with seating capacity of about 1,900, strength training rehab center, athletics offices, a walking track, a café and much more.
- Facility will serve the athletics department and various Coker College teams, but will also be open to all students.
- Broke ground on the project in April of 2013.
- DeLoach Center is the final building that resulted from the Redefining Excellence capital campaign. (6 residential buildings and the DeLoach Center were part of that campaign).
- The DeLoach Center is the single largest expansion in Coker College's history.

### **Miscellaneous Haley Administration Highlights**

- On January 27 of this year, I signed the Government Restructuring Act of 2014 (S.22). It is the most comprehensive government restructuring in over 20 years - streamlining government processes by abolishing the outdated, five-member Budget & Control Board and creating the Department of Administration, which is responsible for executive and administrative functions.
- On February 11 of this year, I signed S.308, The Concealed Carry Reform Bill. This is just another example of how my administration is dedicated to upholding citizens' 2nd amendment rights here in South Carolina. The bill allows for responsible South Carolinians to carry their firearms into restaurants that serve alcohol, but doesn't allow them to consume alcohol. The bill also allows owners of these establishments to ban individuals from carrying firearms.
- South Carolina's Department of Social Services implemented a welfare-to-work program that has found jobs for over 20,000 welfare recipients (24,859) with 93 percent not returning to welfare at least three months following exit and more than 78 percent not returning for at least two years. (Figures accurate as of July 24, 2014)
- In 2012, we spearheaded a tax reform effort for individuals and businesses and the General Assembly passed a small business income tax reform package that will decrease income taxes for three consecutive years. When the package is in full effect in tax year 2014, the cumulative tax relief to small businesses will be \$63 million (and growing as small business income grows).
- In June 2011, I signed a tort reform law, allowing South Carolina to recruit and expand businesses by protecting them from frivolous lawsuits.
- We have focused on job training and putting workforce ready communities in every county (with Clarendon County becoming SC's 1<sup>st</sup>, McCormick County becoming the 2<sup>nd</sup>, Colleton County the 3<sup>rd</sup>, and recently Saluda County was named the 4<sup>th</sup> in the state).
- We have one of the lowest unionization rates in the country. (3.7%, tied for the 3<sup>rd</sup> lowest state in the country)
- We made transparency in government a major priority of my administration, including fighting for and signing into law the state's first roll call voting bill.
- We established the South Carolina Commission on Ethics Reform by Executive Order in 2012 to recommend changes that would expand, strengthen, and clarify the state's Ethics Act, which has

- not been updated in over twenty years. A bill that includes many of the recommendations regarding income disclosures, oversight, and conflicts of recently stalled in the South Carolina Senate, but remains a top legislative priority of my administration.
- By Executive Order, I established a Regulatory Review Task Force in February of 2013, which studied thousands of regulations promulgated by 22 state agencies to determine how the regulatory environment in SC can be streamlined to help small businesses succeed. The goal is to reduce government involvement in business and professional activities that stifle entrepreneurship, small business creation, and economic growth.
- Transportation spending authority has been a priority throughout my administration, which is why I signed into law a \$1 billion infrastructure bill without raising taxes in June of 2013 – the largest investment in roads and bridges in 25 years.
- In 2012, I signed a Charter School Bill that enhances the state's existing charter system by allowing public or independent institutions of higher learning to sponsor a charter school, permitting applicants to seek to form a single gender charter school, and enabling charter school students to participate in extracurricular activities.

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Darlington County: 185 Jobs; \$169 million Capital Investment

Announced Date	Company Name	Objective	Product or Service	Announced Investment	Announced Jobs
2014-07-02	Rogers Brothers Peanuts	New	Peanuts	\$6,000,000	30
2014-03-19	Birdsong Peanuts	New	Peanut drying and shelling operation	\$47,300,000	55
2013-12-18	New South Companies (Canfor)	Expansion	Lumber	\$8,000,000	50
2012-02-01	Nucor Steel	Expansion	Metal Fabrication		
2011-12-13	Sonoco	Expansion	Consumer & Industrial Packaging	\$100,000,000	10
2011-09-30	JBE, Inc.	Expansion	Auto & Aero Manufacturing		20
2011-08-16	PolyQuest, Inc.	Expansion	PET	\$8,000,000	20

Between January 2011 and July 2014, the unemployment rate in Darlington County has decreased by 4.5 percentage points from 12.5 percent to 8 percent. There are now 1,654 more people employed in the county and 1,338 fewer people unemployed.

## LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION

Adoption of the Conference Report 1/21/14 S.22	3rd Reading 2/27/2014 H.3945	3rd Reading 3/13/13 - Failed S.53	Reference notes below. S. 266	H.3541
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	SENATE - Darlington County	DOA	Ethics	Sup. of Edu	ABF	Ad. General
D	Kevin Johnson	Y	Y	N		Y
R	Hugh Leatherman	Y	EA	N		Y
D	Gerald Malloy	Y	Y	N		Y

Adoption  
of the  
Conference  
Report  
1/21/14  
S.22

Passage of  
the bill  
4/30/13  
H.3945

Adopt  
Resolution  
4/9/13  
H. 3518

Adopt  
Resolution  
3/20/13  
H.3541

	HOUSE - Darlington County	DOA	Ethics	Sup. of Edu	ABF	Ad. General
D	Terry Alexander	Y	Y		Y	NV
D	Jackie E. Hayes	Y	Y		Y	Y
R	Phillip D. Lowe	Y	Y		Y	Y
R	James H. Lucas	Y	Y		Y	Y
D	Elizabeth Munnerlyn	Y	Y		Y	Y
D	Robert Q. Williams	Y	Y		N	Y

#### Notes:

ABF: S.266 - On the Senate calendar. Gregory - has fought multiple times. Leatherman's continues to fight against. Leatherman's name is on the bill.

Ethics: Sen: Bright and Bryant are the 2 Senators that voted against Ethics - 3rd Reading.

House: Bedingfield, Chumley, Delleney, Felder, Moss, Norman, Pitts - voted against the passage of Ethics because it was not what passed out of Judiciary.

Bannister amended on 3rd with a strike and insert of new language which did not include independent investigations.

Sup. of Edu: Leatherman and O'Dell voted against. Matthews voted present. Sheheen, Lourie and McElveen voted for it.