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Got it thank you!

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Carrie,

I wanted to make sure Greta saw this before the governor's interview, it's a roundup of all of the Conservatives who are celebrating the governor's success.

Thanks so much,

Chaney

*Red State's* Erick Erickson: "Then there was Nikki Haley. She hit it out of the park. It was one of the best responses to a State of the Union address ever and the absolute best since Barack Obama's election. She showed humor, passion, and a willingness to hold the President accountable. She went so far as to admit Republicans had to share blame with the President, but presented how the GOP would fix problems it helped create." (Erick Erickson, Vice President Nikki Haley, [The Resurgent](#), 1/13/16)

Heritage Action CEO Michael Needham: "Governor Haley represents the future of a conservative Republican Party. In contrast to the president's hopelessly out of touch diatribe, she delivered a winsome message and painted an authentically optimistic vision for America's future. The governor is right: conservatives have the policies to create opportunity for all Americans, but all too often the bipartisan Washington Establishment has been more interested in preserving the status quo. Our nation will be stronger and more dynamic when a political party in Washington begins confronting the collusion between special interests and government." (Press Release, "Nikki Haley Delivers Optimistic Message, Challenges GOP," [Heritage Action for America](#), 1/12/16)

Speaker of the U.S. House Paul Ryan- R-WI: "Governor Nikki Haley drew a remarkable contrast with the president tonight. She is one of the most effective leaders in our party." (Press Release, "Speaker Ryan Responds to President Obama's Final State of the Union Address," Speaker Ryan Press Office, 1/12/16)

*Washington Examiner's* David Drucker: "Initial reviews were positive to off the charts. Haley was praised for her delivery and her eloquent and sharp rhetoric. She displayed an ability to marry an aggressive pitch for conservative values, such as stating that illegal immigration must be stopped, with calls for inclusiveness and respect for people with which Republicans disagree." (David Drucker, "Haley delivers in State of the Union rebuttal," [Washington Examiner](#), 1/12/16)

*Fox News'* Bret Baier: "You can see why she is touted as an up and comer in the republican party, even mentioned as a possible vice presidential candidate." (Fox News' "All Star Panel" 1/12/16)

Conservative Columnist Charles Krauthammer: "It was the best written and best delivered answer to

a State of the Union address I've ever heard and that's going back a lot of years... She was poised and she did it all, I thought, rather cleverly going into the more divisive issues. But doing it in a personal way, speaking about her own history, but not in a saccharin way, she just talked about her history matter-of-factly. And the way that she handled, in fact at the time of the shooting, and the way that she spoke about the Charleston shooting now, I thought was really quite gracious. That was a really good speech, even that little thing at the end, when I heard history of man I thought that's politically incorrect and then she added woman with a smile. It had a light touch, it was a terrific speech." (Fox News' "All Star Panel" 1/12/16)

*The Weekly Standards* Steve Hayes: "Nikki Haley actually demonstrated civility...and [she]walked us through what it looks like when people who don't agree come together and work together to make things better. That is an actual example of civility. We could have used more of those from President Obama."  
" (Fox News' "All Star Panel" 1/12/16)

*Fox News* Megan Kelly: "I've never seen the G.O.P. line so high, you can't even see it on your chart." (Fox News' "The Kelly File", 1/12/16)

*Red State's* Moe Lane: "Haley nailed the speech." (Moe Lane, "Nikki Haley's response to Donald Trump. ...And, oh, yeah, Barack Obama's State of the Union speech." [Red State](#), 1/12/2016 )

*The Daily Caller's* Matt Lewis: "Very good Nikki Haley speech. The Party of Ryan/Haley is a stark contrast to the Party of Trump." (Matt Lewis, [Twitter Feed](#), 1/12/16)

Governor Scott Walker, R-Wisconsin: "My friend Nikki Haley did an outstanding job!" (Scott Walker, [Twitter Feed](#), 1/12/16)

WASHINGTON EXAMINER: "At first glance, Haley's rebuttal appeared to be a smashing political success."  
" (David Drucker, "Haley delivers in State of the Union rebuttal," [Washington Examiner](#), 1/12/16)

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