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The Honorable Nikki R. Haley

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Dear Governor Haley

Golf carts and mopeds have proven to be a problem in many of the coastal tourist areas. I believe that any and all golf carts and mopeds should not be allowed to drive on main roads and highways in the state of South Carolina. A moped can travel at a speed of up to 30 mph and golf carts can only travel at a speed of up to 15mph. The average speed for a motorist on a highway is anywhere from 35 to 70mph. This is a huge difference in speeds and it proves itself when you get behind a golf cart on a major road, and traffic backed up because 20+ cars are not able to pass said golf cart. Both golf carts and mopeds can easily become traffic hazards. In 2013 these mopeds were involved in a number of accidents containing fatalities. There were 50 moped caused deaths in Horry County, there were 60 deaths in Richland County, and in Greenville County there were a reported 67 deaths caused by mopeds.

One possible solution to getting golf carts and mopeds off of main road, and more importantly, eliminating these statistics. A solution for removing moped and golf carts from the roads would be by adding an expansion to these roads in the form of a specific lane for just these types of motorized vehicles. Another possible solution would be expanding sidewalks on main roads, and adding on sidewalks to some of the major highways in the area.

I would hope that this issue can be addressed and either the solutions that I have stated above, or another solution be implemented to help make South Carolina roadways safer for all.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sarah Gregg". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Sarah Gregg