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*Robert F. McDonnell*  
*Governor*

June 27, 2012

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

Dear Governor Haley:

In Virginia and nationally, K-12 education is a top priority. The outcomes we produce at the K-12 level have a direct impact on the success of our states' economies and ensure that we have a productive workforce. I will soon announce the **"Governor's K-12 Education Reform Summit: Investing in Students Today, Creating the Workforce of Tomorrow"** to be held August 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> in Richmond, Virginia.

As the Chief Executive of South Carolina and someone who cares deeply about workforce development, job creation, and the essential role K-12 education plays in ensuring a quality pipeline, I invite you to join me for a Governors Panel during the lunch hour Thursday, August 16<sup>th</sup>. This panel will bring together governors who are focused on reforms and results in the areas of school choice, teacher quality and workforce development. I know your participation will once again reinforce South Carolina's commitment to bettering K-12 outcomes and ensuring opportunities for your citizens.

I also encourage you to send two of your top education advisors to the Summit. We will feature staff only time for in-depth discussions on K-12 reform policy and opportunities to share best practices.

Generra Peck from my office will be reaching out to your staff to follow-up on this invitation and answer any questions. She is available at [Generra.Peck@governor.virginia.gov](mailto:Generra.Peck@governor.virginia.gov) and (804) 928-7325. Thank you for your consideration and I hope to see you in Richmond in August.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert F. McDonnell".

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