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

Dear Governor Haley:

I have called your office to ask to attend one of your "Open Office Days" to have a private chat. While I understand that's not possible, you had campaigned as the people's governor. While my hip and vertigo don't allow me to attend certain "open office days," I *do* want to support you 100%, as I feel you have done *very* good work with the people of South Carolina, specifically bringing jobs to South Carolina and offering help to those who were affected by the historic October flooding.

I am writing on behalf of my wife, Dianne Watford, who is employed with the South Carolina Insurance Reserve Fund (IRF). She has her Associate Degree in Paralegal and would enjoy having the opportunity to be promoted within her agency, as she was told by retired Human Resources Director Tim Frier, "We promote from within." She has the equivalent of all qualifications to do the duties of a paralegal and an agent with IRF; however, she has been denied the opportunity to be promoted as a paralegal or an agent, although she is already doing most of the duties to fulfill that position. It may be helpful to know that Libby Holder only had a high school diploma, yet served as an agent. She also has had to teach Norm Caldwell how to physically write his own agent correspondence via his computer. Nelson Chandler, her immediate supervisor, has tried to give her a raise at least three times and has been denied this action by his supervisor. Given the opportunity, Dianne would be able to fulfill all duties as needed—and more.

I am also writing on behalf of my friend Marty Smoak. Of damage to his property due to the historic October flooding, FEMA has not helped at all, saying what amounts to "We'll get to you when we get to you," which is an unacceptable response. Mr. Smoak has to drive a "big rig" to get in and out of his own driveway. This situation should not be regarded as acceptable at all. Mr. Smoak's cell telephone number is 803-533-9224.

If there is a way to alleviate these situations, I would be grateful for any solutions you may be able to offer. Please feel free to contact me via letter or my cell telephone. I would very much appreciate hearing from you.

Sincerely,  
Michael C Watford