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Dear Commission Members:

Today, I am appointing you to serve on a commission to investigate the facts related to annexing territory, known as Daniel Island, from Berkeley County to Charleston County. I am thankful for your willingness to serve the residents of Daniel Island and the interests of both Berkeley and Charleston counties in this important endeavor.

On November 8, 2013, I was presented with a petition signed by at least ten percent of the registered voters in Daniel Island to annex the property of Daniel Island from Berkeley County to Charleston County. (See enclosed petition and enclosed letter from the South Carolina State Election Commission.) As required by state law, I am appointing four persons, two from the territory proposed to be annexed and two from the other territory of the county from which such territory has been a part; two of these persons may be opponents and two may be advocates of the proposed change of line. (S.C. Code Section 4-5-120) After consulting with legislative delegation members of Berkeley and Charleston Counties and speaking with each of you, my office informs me that you meet the requirements of this statute.

My office has prepared "Information and General Guidelines" regarding the annexation process, due to the statutory requirement that a written report must be provided to the governor for consideration before an election on the question of annexation can be ordered by me. Our office has also enclosed a copy of Article VIII, Section 5 of the South Carolina Constitution and Chapter 5 of Title 4 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, which sets forth the authority for annexation, the duties and responsibilities of this commission, and the annexation process.

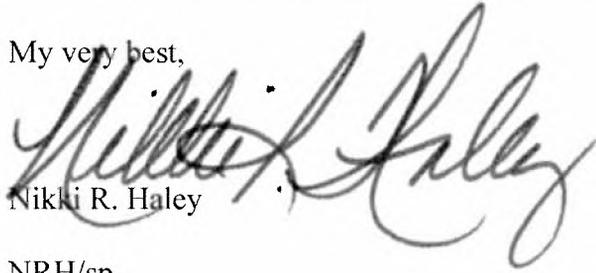
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I again appreciate the time, diligence, and effort you will commit on behalf of the residents of Daniel Island and Berkeley and Charleston Counties.

My very best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nikki R. Haley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "N" and "H".

Nikki R. Haley

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Enclosures

cc: Members of the Berkeley County Legislative Delegation
Members of the Charleston County Legislative Delegation
Members of the Berkeley County Council
Members of the Charleston County Council
(Above list without enclosures)