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Governor Nikki Haley
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Dear Governor Haley,

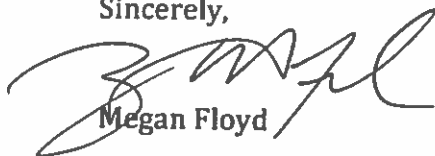
My name is Megan Floyd, and I am a farmer's wife. My husband and I farm tobacco, corn and soybeans in Horry County.

I have seen my husband, other SC farmers, and their families suffer over the last couple of months. It saddens me to know that for some, you are willing to ask for federal assistance, but for those who feed you and contribute to the #1 industry of this state you are not willing to help. I understand many farmers have crop insurance, but it doesn't cover what you think it does. Farmers can't afford to have the coverage that you are saying they have, every year. What happened this year isn't something that they would ever in a million years expect to encounter.

I am disappointed that you would put farmers in the same category as other small businesses. They buy everything retail, sell everything wholesale, and pay freight both ways. They are the only business in the state or the nation for that matter that is this way. It is a business that requires a lot of risk, and my family willingly assumes that risk every year. I know you see homeowners suffer, but do you see how bad your own SC farmers are suffering? How can you say that you won't ask for help for those that are suffering? How can you expect the #1 industry of your state to remain so if you won't even help them when they need it?

You don't know me, but my husband and I help feed you. You don't know me, but my husband and I help to clothe you. You don't know me, but our farming community has a hand in most everything you use on a daily bases. How can you expect the younger generations of farmers to continue to farm? They can't afford the amount of loses that they have incurred this year. You may not know me, but I am a wife, and a mother, and a woman just like you. I am standing up in support of the South Carolina Farmer, the backbone of our state, that are victims of something which they could not control: a natural disaster. Please help.

Sincerely,



Megan Floyd