

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
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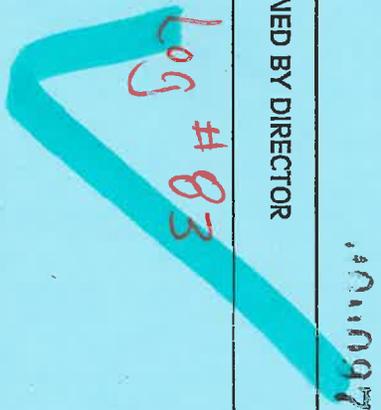
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The Honorable Nikki R. Haley
Governor, State of South Carolina
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Department of Health & Human Services
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Dear Governor Haley:

Thank you for your dedication and service on behalf the people of South Carolina! Today we write to urge South Carolina to implement the Medicaid expansion in the Affordable Care Act.

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The Honorable John E. Courson
State Senate
412 Gressette Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Senator Courson:

Thank you for your dedication and service on behalf the people of South Carolina! Today we write to urge South Carolina to implement the Medicaid expansion in the Affordable Care Act.

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The Honorable Joel Lourie
State Senate
601 Gressette Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Joel:

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The Honorable John L. Scott, Jr.
State Senate
612 Gressette Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Senator Scott:

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The Honorable Joan B. Brady
State Representative
414 Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Joan:

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The Honorable Joseph A. McEachern
State Representative
330A Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Mr. McEachern:

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The Honorable J. Todd Rutherford
State Senate
530A Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Senator Rutherford:

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The Honorable Darrell Jackson
State Senate
612 Gressette Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Senator Jackson:

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The Honorable Murrell Smith
State Representative
P. O. Box 580
Sumter, SC 29151

Dear Mr. Smith:

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The Honorable Leon Howard
State Representative
425 Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Mr. Howard:

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