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Governor Nikki Haley News:

The Economic Times: Business with India like 'connecting my two homes': Nikki Haley

http://economictimes.indiatimes.com/articleshow/45148704.cms?utm_source=contentofinterest&utm_medium=text&utm_campaign=cppst

Seeking to connect her "two homes", Indian-American Governor of South Carolina Nikki Haley today pitched for two-way investment flows between Punjab and her state in the US.

Note: "It is a very emotional trip. I have not been here (Punjab) since I was two. So I am proud of now that I have some memories. Before (this visit) I had dreams, I had imaginations. I had what I had thought what India was. It is much more and much better. Hospitality has been fantastic..." Haley, who is heading an 18-member delegation to India, told reporters here today.

Note: "It is personal for me to be able to come back to India. To being here in Punjab is a fact that if I am going to bring international companies, I want Indian companies. That is what want I do. It is home to home, connecting my two homes together," she said assuring Indian industrialists that their businesses would be "well taken care of" in South Carolina and would also give her reason to come back to India.

Times of India: Nikki Haley invites Punjab industries to invest in South Carolina

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/india/Nikki-Haley-invites-Punjab-industries-to-invest-in-South-Carolina/articleshow/45151646.cms>

Vibor Mohan

Nikki Haley, governor of South Carolina (SC), USA invited industries from the Chandigarh and Punjab region to collaborate, invest, partner and build business ties with their counterparts in South Carolina, extending her state's full support at an interaction on Doing Business with South Carolina, USA, organized by Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), at its Headquarters in Sector 31.

Note: "The key sectors where you can excel in South Carolina include Automobile, Aerospace, IT, Pharmaceuticals, rubber, textiles, etc. Boeing's leading manufacturing plant is in our state and soon BMW's South Carolina Plant would also be their leading plant, so is the case of various top tyre manufacturers of the world like Michelin, Bridgestone, continental etc. It is so easy to do business in South Carolina that 60 % of the new investments in South Carolina are from the existing businesses in the form of expansion", she added.

Odisha Sun Times: Nikki Haley seeks strong business ties with India

<http://odishasuntimes.com/99796/nikki-haley-seeks-strong-business-ties-india/>

South Carolina Governor Nikki Haley Friday sought building of business ties between her state and Indian companies. She was addressing business leaders and entrepreneurs at an interaction on "Doing Business with South Carolina" organised by Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) here.

Note: "India is my second home. Attracting investments from overseas companies is my job, but building business ties with Indian companies is my personal desire. Hence, I request CII to facilitate this as much as possible," Haley said.

Note: "Come, invest and set up a business in South Carolina and we at the government level will service you as an added employee as well. We will assign a specific project manager to you who will handhold you right from the beginning concerning all aspects like land, labour, financing, source of raw material, marketing, legal formalities, transportation facilities etc," Haley said.

The Hindu: Nikki begins her India tour from the State of her roots

<http://www.thehindu.com/news/national/other-states/nikki-begins-her-india-tour-from-punjab/article6600384.ece>

Gaurav Vivek Bhatnagar

South Carolina Governor Nikki Haley interacted with politicians and industry alike as she began her 10-day

visit to the country from Chandigarh. In Punjab, Ms. Haley — who was born Nimrata Nikki Randhawa and who is the second Indian-American governor in the U.S. after Bobby Jindal — said her main objective is to establish aerospace, pharma, tourism and agro-processing industries.

Note: The Governor spoke about how South Carolina has been able to create new jobs in the aerospace and hospitality sectors. "Our success rate in skill training is as much as 93 per cent and we would be glad to assist Punjab in this field also," she added.

Business Standard: South Carolina seeks investment from India

http://www.business-standard.com/article/current-affairs/south-carolina-seeks-investment-from-india-114111402030_1.html

Vijay C Roy

On his maiden visit to India, Nikki Haley, Indian-origin governor of South Carolina, US, on Friday invited industries from Chandigarh and Punjab to build business ties with their counterparts in South Carolina.

Note: "Since the dollar is weak, they (companies) have realised this is the right time to invest in the US." Haley said at an interaction event organised by Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) here.

Note: "Come, invest and set up a business in South Carolina and we at the government level will extend all support. We will assign a project manager also who will handhold you right from the beginning concerning all aspects such as land, labour, financing, source of raw material, marketing, legal formalities and transportation facilities."

The State: Juvenile Justice chief to retire from Gov. Haley's cabinet

<http://www.thestate.com/2014/11/14/3811554/juvenile-justice-chief-to-retire.html?sp=/99/132/312/169/>

Jamie Self

Gov. Nikki Haley will see more turnover in her cabinet next month when Margaret Barber, director of the S. C. Department of Juvenile Justice, retires. State Rep. Shannon Erickson, R-Beaufort, and Sen. Mike Fair, R-Greenville, both informally announced Barber's exit from the leadership post at a children committee's meeting that took place at Juvenile Justice Thursday evening.

Former Sen. Robert Ford Indicted:

Greenville News: Former state Sen. Robert Ford indicted on ethics charges

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/news/politics/2014/11/14/former-state-sen-robert-ford-indicted-ethics-charges/19031663/>

Tim Smith

A Richland County grand jury today indicted former Sen. Robert Ford of Charleston on eight charges, including misconduct in office and forgery, according to State Attorney General Alan Wilson. The grand jury accuses Ford of misusing his campaign account by depositing campaign funds in his personal account, using campaign funds for personal expenses, and filing false campaign reports to the Senate Ethics Committee, according to Wilson's office.

Post and Courier: Former Charleston senator Robert Ford indicted on ethics charges

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20141114/PC1603/141119623>

Schuyler Kropf

Former Charleston state senator Robert Ford has been indicted on eight ethics-related charges stemming from his time in office. S.C. Attorney General Alan Wilson announced today that a Richland County Grand Jury returned indictments Thursday.

Associated Press: Ex-SC Sen. Ford indicted for misconduct, forgery

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=W51T9Xr0

Meg Kinnard

Former Sen. Robert Ford has been indicted on eight charges that include misconduct in office, forgery and ethics violations, state prosecutors said Friday. In a news release, Attorney General Alan Wilson said that the Charleston Democrat had been indicted by the Richland County grand jury on misconduct in office and forgery less than \$10,000.

The State: Former SC Sen. Robert Ford indicted for public corruption

<http://www.thestate.com/2014/11/14/3811790/former-sc-sen-robert-ford-indicted.html>

Jamie Self

A Richland County Grand Jury has accused former state Sen. Robert Ford of using campaign money for

personal expenses, resulting in eight indictments for public corruption including one felony. The grand jury indicted Ford, a Charleston Democrat who resigned last year after 20 years in the Senate, on eight counts, the S.C. Attorney General's Office announced Friday.

South Carolina News:

Associated Press: On-time graduation rate increases again in SC

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=Y2CHYEGU

Bruce Smith

South Carolina's on-time high school graduation rate is at an all-time high with more than 80 percent of students graduating within four years, new report cards released on Friday show. Data from the state Department of Education also shows 49 of the state's 82 school districts achieved ratings of either "good" or "excellent," down one from last year.

Associated Press: Monday deadline issued in SC gay marriage case

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=PILCfs8E

A same-sex couple who wants to marry in South Carolina has until Monday to respond to a state request to put on hold a judge's order allowing gay marriages. U.S. District Judge Richard Gergel this week threw out South Carolina's constitutional ban on same sex marriage, blocking any state official from enforcing it.

WIS: Two years later, SC still finding ways to improve data security

<http://www.wistv.com/story/27381949/two-years-later-sc-is-still-finding-ways-to-improve-security>

Will Whitson

South Carolinians learned the hard way just how at risk personal information can be when the state's department of revenue was hacked two years ago. Security quietly keeps the Department of Revenue secure, but it's the changes you can't directly see that keep valuable taxpayer data from falling into the wrong hands.

Spartanburg Herald Journal: Clyburn announces \$2M for health care

<http://www.goupstate.com/article/20141114/WIRE/141119768/1083/ARTICLES?Title=Clyburn-announces-2M-for-health-care>

Underserved areas in the South Carolina's Midlands and Lowcountry are getting more than \$2 million for health care. U.S. Rep. Jim Clyburn announced Friday that \$2 million from the Department of Health and Human Services has been awarded to the Family Health Centers in Orangeburg.

Greenville News: Congressional hearing scheduled for Clemson

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/news/local/pickens-county/2014/11/14/congressional-hearing-scheduled-clemson/19023989/>

Mary Troyan

Congress will come to Clemson University next week when Rep. Jeff Duncan and his Homeland Security subcommittee hold a hearing about whether South Carolina and the nation are better prepared for major emergencies like hurricanes and disease outbreaks.

Post and Courier: North Charleston paper mill owner KapStone to invest \$115 million

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20141114/PC05/141119648>

John McDermott

The owner of the North Charleston paper mill is spending \$115 million on improvements. KapStone Paper and Packaging Corp. will invest the money to replace one of its paper-making machines and make other upgrades to increase capacity and efficiency at the Cooper River site, according to Charleston County's economic development office.

Hartsville Messenger: Nestlé Waters to invest \$40 million in Chesterfield County, create 40-50 jobs

http://www.snow.com/messenger/article_5c374ef2-6c1a-11e4-9aa3-db74b5267b2c.html

Christopher McKagen

Chesterfield County Economic Development announced Friday morning Nestlé Waters North American will build a \$40 million water bottling facility near McBee. The 200,000-square-foot facility will produce Deer Park spring water, mostly for customers in the Southeast. The investment by Nestlé is expected to create between 40-50 jobs with competitive wages and comprehensive benefits.

Local News:

Sun News: Regional EDC exec presented as top candidate for Myrtle Beach economic development post
<http://www.myrtlebeachonline.com/2014/11/14/4605801/regional-edc-exec-presented-as.html?sp=/99/209/&ihp=1#storylink=cpy>

Steve Jones

Jim Moore, director of business development for the North Eastern Strategic Alliance, is the top candidate to become CEO of the Myrtle Beach Regional Economic Development Corp. Moore, who must be formally approved by the EDC executive board before he is hired, was to be introduced to members of the Horry County Council at a 1 p.m. meeting Friday.

Aiken Standard: Aiken School District gets “excellent” grade

<http://www.aikenstandard.com/article/20141114/AIK0101/141119662/1004>

Rob Novit

For the second straight year, the Aiken County School District has received an “excellent” rating on the State Department of Education’s report cards. That rating indicates the District is substantially higher than the standard for progress in South Carolina. The District also received a “good” rating for growth, based on academic performance over the past year.

Post and Courier: Protest filed over Charleston County library vote

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20141114/PC1603/141119608>

Robert Behre

Alan Shirey of North Charleston filed a protest arguing that the referendum question was misleading concerning how the library construction/renovation work would be funded, according to Charleston County Election and Voter Registration director Joseph Debney.

National News:

Washington Post: GOP debates its immigration strategy as Obama prepares executive action

http://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/gop-debates-its-immigration-strategy-as-obama-prepares-executive-action/2014/11/13/88c02c98-6b7d-11e4-a31c-77759fc1eacc_story.html

Robert Costa, Ed O’Keefe

Congressional Republicans have split into competing factions over how to respond to President Obama’s expected moves to overhaul the nation’s immigration system, which are likely to include protecting millions from being deported.

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