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Y'all,

I wanted to make y'all aware that our office provided the following statement to The State newspaper.

To be clear, this is not something you'll see in print in the next day or two. The reporter asked for it to have for reference.

I will let y'all know when to expect something in print.

"As the daughter of immigrants, Governor Haley understands that so many people from across the world want come to America because they want what we love about this country: opportunity. The governor believes the nearly-150-year old Constitutional guarantee of citizenship to children born in America has served our country very well and should continue for those who enter our country legally.

"While she appreciates discussion of the issue of birthright citizenship, she believes it's one that distracts from the serious problem Washington politicians, including members of congress and presidents, have for years failed to address, and that's illegal immigration. Once we get illegal immigration under control, the citizenship question will be a non-issue, as it was for most of the last 150 years."

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