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Dear Mrs. Crolley:

The members and staff of the Commission want you to have the enclosed statement of Chairman Fred Day concerning Don which was read today at the Commission's meeting.

As you will note in the statement, we all admired and respected Don and all that he did for the students of our State. In fact, we thought the most lasting tribute that we could provide would be a contribution from the Commission members and staff, in Don's name, in support of a Palmetto Fellows Scholarship. The scholarship will help support an outstanding high school graduate attend a South Carolina college or university.

I will let you know the level of funding that is contributed to the fellowship and any other details regarding its award to a student.

Please know our thoughts are with you and that we will remain in touch with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Fred", is written over the typed name "Fred R. Sheheen".

Fred R. Sheheen

Enclosure

cc: Members and staff, Commission on Higher Education

**Statement of Mr. Fred L. Day regarding Dr. Donald L. Crolley  
South Carolina Commission on Higher Education  
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Many of you are aware of the sad news that Dr. Don Crolley, a member of the Commission on Higher Education from the fifth congressional district, passed away on Friday, June 30.

Our loss is great. Don was a committed and talented educator who brought more than four decades of experience to our board. His views and decisions were based firmly in what he believed would elevate South Carolina higher education to new levels of excellence and achievement.

But most of all, Don was interested in the students of our state and their ability to attain and benefit from quality education. As the citizens of Great Falls, Lancaster, Summerville, Sumter, and Union can attest, Don proved tireless as a district superintendent, principal, teacher, and coach in making sure that the students in his charge achieved educationally.

It is fitting then that Don be remembered in a manner reflective of his commitment to students. Therefore, donations will be solicited from Commission members and staff so that a contribution, in Don's memory, can be made to the Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Program which is dedicated to retaining outstanding South Carolina high school graduates through awards based on scholarship and achievement.

The Commission extends its deepest sympathy to the Crolley family and the knowledge of Don's lasting contributions to students throughout South Carolina.