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Subject: Mr. and Mrs. Hammond

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Chief Keel,

The Governor and I met with Mr. and Mrs. Hammond regarding the shooting of their son Zach Hammond. During this meeting, the Hammonds presented several recommendations to the Governor regarding officer training and officer-involved shootings. The Governor has asked that I pass the Hammonds' recommendations along to you to present to the South Carolina Commission on the Advancement of Public Safety for consideration.

- Accountability/transparency – Checks and balances for prosecutorial decisions
- Better training – Additional, mandatory de-escalation training for officers
- Psychological evaluations and re-evaluations – Mandatory initial and periodic psychological evaluations of officers
- Independent Prosecutions for officer-involved shootings – Appointment of an independent prosecutor for officer-involved shootings in our state
- Release of dash cam video – Mandatory notification to the family prior to release of dash cam videos or other information in cases such as this one. The Hammonds said in Zach's case they were not notified before the dash cam video was released to the press, and their younger son saw the video at school.

The Governor has asked that you call Ms. Hammond to let her know that these recommendations have been sent to the Commission for consideration. Her number is 864-710-5936. Please let me know if you need additional information from me.

Thanks,

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