



November 19, 2015

Governor Nikki R. Haley  
1205 Pendleton Street  
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Governor Nikki R. Haley,

This past year, Feeding America teamed up with National Geographic on an effort to tell the story of hunger and hope across America. National Geographic photographers traveled with Feeding America to document the lives of people facing hunger in five unique places in the U.S. The project, funded by the Howard G. Buffett Foundation, culminated in the publication of the enclosed book *Feeding America: Stories of Hunger and Hope*.

In addition to photos captured by National Geographic photographers, this book also includes photos taken from a National Geographic Your Shot Assignment. Chef Mario Batali, a member of the Feeding America Entertainment Council and a longtime anti-hunger advocate, served as a guest editor for the assignment and selected the photos that appear in the book.

We are pleased to present you with a copy of this book, which was developed as an informational resource and not for public sale. It was created to raise further awareness about what hunger looks like in America and demonstrate that there is hope for a hunger-free future. We encourage you to share this book with others to help them learn about the face and problem of hunger in your state and across the nation. If you would like additional copies, please feel free to reach out to Melody Fields at 312-641-5688 or [mfields@feedingamerica.org](mailto:mfields@feedingamerica.org).

Media can be a powerful tool for change. Businesses, charities, public officials and individuals all have a role in creating a positive change for the 48 million people in our country facing hunger. We hope this book can help inspire all to do their part. We are grateful to the staff at food banks, food pantries and meal programs, and to the inspiring families who generously gave their time and energy to make this project possible. We thank you, too, and your staff for your tireless work on behalf of your constituents and for all Americans, including those facing hunger. Working together, we can solve hunger.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Diana Aviv".

Diana Aviv  
Chief Executive Officer  
Feeding America