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The Honorable Nikki R. Haley
Office of the Governor
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Governor Haley,

As President of The South Carolina Education Association, I wish to extend our most sincere appreciation for your commitment to improving public education in our state, and the new proposals you so strongly voiced at the beginning of this legislative session.

As South Carolina's oldest continuous organization standing in support of our teachers and public education staff members, The South Carolina Education Association has a proven commitment of working to bring about effective change in public education policy.

We know your time is valuable, but we welcome the opportunity to meet with you to see how we can join our efforts with yours and ensure the seamless passage of your new education proposals and the most assured implementation of those measures when they become law. I know such a meeting would be mutually beneficial, especially if we can schedule it now in the early portion of session.

Please let us know about the possibility of a meeting. We look forward to working with you to combine efforts and bring profound and lasting change to our public schools and build stronger and more prosperous communities across our great state.

With our deepest gratitude,

Bernadette R. Hampton, President
The South Carolina Education Association

