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

Dear Governor Haley,

On behalf of the entire team at Autism Speaks and the families we serve, thank you for your leadership in helping to raise awareness about autism by participating in Light It Up Blue. We were also grateful that you issued a proclamation declaring April 2014 as Autism Awareness Month in South Carolina. This year, almost every Governor in the country engaged in Light It Up Blue and World Autism Awareness Month and we sincerely appreciate your support.

With 1 in 68 children now living with autism, the need for our nation's leaders to come together and address this pressing public health priority could not be greater. Your support not only displayed leadership, it also showed every family affected by autism, everywhere in South Carolina, they have someone fighting for them.

Governor Haley, thank you for giving hope to our families and for setting an example for others to follow.

Sincerely,

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