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Chester County Election Commissioner  
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March 15, 2016

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

Dear Honorable Nikki R. Haley:

I have to regretfully submit my resignation as a commissioner of Elections and Registrations for Chester County. I will have surgery or start treatment for pancreatic cancer in the next two weeks. A new appointment would be a tremendous help for the commission. We are facing a special election, a municipal election, the June primaries and the November general election. The commission needs to be at full strength.

I have served on the Chester County Election Commission for more years than I can remember. The years of service to my county and the state of South Carolina have been an honor. The other members of the commission are a well-trained group that always put the interest of voters above all else. They need to be at full strength during these upcoming elections and a new appointment will benefit all parties. A quick appointment will also allow the new member the opportunity to learn very quickly the process we must follow.

I can recommend a gentleman in Great Falls that has served as a pole manager for many years. Mr. Howard Hodge is retired from Duke Energy and is very knowledgeable about the voting process and laws. He will serve very well if he is given the opportunity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John F. Henson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

John F. Henson  
Chester County Registrations and Elections Commissioner