



State of South Carolina Office of the Governor

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Dear Friends,

Welcome to the 2015 Beach Ball Classic. On behalf of the people of South Carolina, I would like to thank you for your support of one of our nation's premier high school basketball tournaments.

Each year since 1981, thousands of fans have gathered in Myrtle Beach for the Beach Ball Classic and the promise of seeing high school basketball at its best. It is a privilege to host this tournament and the passionate athletes, coaches, family, and friends who make this event a success. We are also excited to recognize the Beach Ball Classic for its commitment to academic as well as athletic excellence. Through its Scholarship Fund, the Beach Ball Classic has awarded more than \$500,000 in college scholarships to over 300 outstanding high school students since 1984. With the addition of sister tournaments the CresCom Bank Holiday Invitationals and the Carolinas Challenge, we look forward to the Beach Ball Classic providing even more opportunities for our student athletes in the years to come.

Michael and I thank you for being a part of the 35th annual Beach Ball Classic. We wish you the best for what is sure to be a great week in South Carolina! God bless.

My very best,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Nikki R. Haley".

Nikki R. Haley

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