



A NEW STATE OF MIND

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The Honorable Nikki R. Haley
Office of the Governor
1205 Pendleton Street
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Dear Governor Nikki Haley;

I am saddened to have to write you under the circumstances of my university. I am a senior and have transferred three times before settling at South Carolina State University in January of 2014. I have had the best college experience since attending this university.

If the school closes, this means that I will have to relocate again and transfer. This could possibly affect me graduating on time. It would be devastating to know that my university would shut down. I feel that for all the money proposed to transfer the students to another school, that money can be used for the school debt. This school has truly molded me into a more educated and professional leader. I really enjoy and learn just from seeing professors that look like me. It is really inspiring seeing so many black educators and professionals.

I understand that the mishandling of money and irresponsible administrators at South Carolina State University is a problem and burden that the State seems to longer want to bear. But please, I ask that you think of the students, especially juniors and seniors when you make your decision. Please reconsider and think about the students before completely shutting down the university. Please consider other options. Thank you for reading this.

Sincerely,

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