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Dear Friends,

On behalf of the people of the Palmetto State, I am pleased to welcome you to the 2015 Applied Word Ministry, Pilgrimford Missionary Baptist Church Veterans Day Ceremony.

Throughout our country's history, brave men and women from across our state and nation have risked their lives not only to protect our country but also to bring security to nations around the world. We are humbled by those who chose a life of courage, honor, and duty, and we take great pride in their efforts to achieve peace and help improve the quality of life for people in troubled nations.

This year, in recognition of the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War, we are especially grateful for our veterans who sacrificed so much to serve in Southeast Asia. The loss of over 58,000 Americans during the war reminds us that the cost of freedom is high.

Michael and I would like to thank all of the veterans and their families for their selfless service to our great country and, to those who served in Vietnam, a very warm welcome home. We hope you all have an awesome day. God bless.

My very best,

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

Nikki R. Haley

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