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Dear Governor:

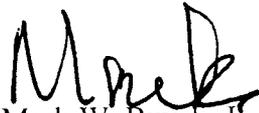
We enjoyed seeing you at the annual luncheon of the Florence Chamber of Commerce. Thank you for visiting with the current owners of IRIX Pharmaceutical and the representatives of Patheon which is purchasing the facility. As Gary Shope mentioned, they are buying the facility, not to close it but to enlarge it. Lukas Utiger expressed his pleasure in getting to meet you and the Patheon team hopes to be able to discuss with you the expansion of the health science industry in South Carolina.

Panos Kalaritis and Miriam Swiler from IRIX also join me in expressing our appreciation for your visit with the group which included Reynolds Williams who has many capacities including being the general counsel for IRIX. Thanks again. Your staff was very accommodating in scheduling the meeting.

Julia joins me in sending you our veery best.

With kind regards.

Yours very truly,



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