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Governor Nikki Haley
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Dear Governor Haley:

I'm writing you regarding the upcoming election. I understand you are supporting Donald Trump for President.

I've been a registered Republican for the last seven years. I'm concerned for our party and even more concerned for our country.

I'm assuming Mr. Trump has been given advice about some inappropriate and disturbing things he has said and continues to say what seems bigoted and divisive, but this advice has not kept him from continuing to say those things. If he becomes President, I'm going to further assume he will be even less likely to accept advice. This worries me greatly. I'm worried about, among other things, his stated position on trade, his attitude toward women and selected minorities, and his disregard for accepted separation of powers of the President, Congress and our judicial system.

I'm especially concerned about his inability to responsibly handle criticism. I'm also afraid there's something in his tax returns that could be a problem for the reputation of the President and I'm sure this will eventually come out.

I understand your need to support the person who will be the Republican nominee for President but you may want to consider your level of enthusiasm in that support or, in light of his most recent comments, you may want to withdraw that support. It may be difficult to insulate your reputation from some of the comments Mr. Trump makes that embarrass our party. While we want to maintain control of the House and the Senate and maintain Republican governors, I believe a Trump presidency would do immeasurable damage to our country. Please consider this as you make what are going to be some very difficult decisions between now and November.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S R Adelman". The signature is written in a cursive, somewhat stylized font.