



March 26, 2015

The Honorable Nikki R. Haley
Office of the Governor
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Governor Haley:

By way of introduction, my name is Mark Shriver, and I am president of Save the Children Action Network. I am writing to invite you to join Save the Children Artist Ambassador and Trustee, Jennifer Garner, and me for lunch on April 15 in Columbia to discuss early learning programs in South Carolina. Jennifer will be in the state on April 15 and 16 to highlight the good work that is happening for children in the Palmetto State.

Over those two days, Jennifer will visit Save the Children's home visiting program in Bishopville and will speak with parents and members of the General Assembly about the value of investing in early childhood. Lunch with you would be a highlight of her trip and provide an opportunity to partner on the critical issue of education for all children. We could accommodate your schedule, of course, but would like to have lunch at 12:30 p.m. on April 15 in downtown Columbia. If your schedule allows, we would also be interested in planning a press event that afternoon to highlight the key investments your administration has made for South Carolina's youngest children.

Established in 2014 to expand Save the Children's capacity to transform young lives, Save the Children Action Network aims to increase investments in children from birth to age five. As a local partner in South Carolina, we are focusing on key legislative policies and recruiting and engaging a statewide advocacy network of supporters, activists and leaders to raise the visibility of early childhood education and development statewide.

We appreciate your consideration of our invitation. We will follow up with your office shortly. Your staff may also contact, Elizabeth Frosch, Associate Director, Public Policy and Advocacy, at efrosch@savechildren.org or 202-640-6602 should you have further questions or need additional information.

Warmly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark K Shriver". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Mark Shriver
President, Save the Children Action Network