

June 6, 2016

Dear Nikki Haley,

I wanted to write you a letter to congratulate you on the great things you have done for South Carolina, and to also ask for your help for a family member of mine. I do not live in South Carolina, but my husband and I vacation at N. Myrtle Beach a few times a year. My first cousin and her family have lived in Starr, SC for many years.

Diane filed for her disability about 3 years ago and they keep turning her down. Unfortunately she is one of the people who really needs it. Diane had a blockage in her neck which required a stent to be placed in it a few years ago. She still gets short of breath because the other side has some blockage. Then, she was diagnosed with anal cancer and had to have an operation to remove the tumor and be placed on a colostomy bag for the rest of her life. She went through chemotherapy and radiation treatments. Diane went for her follow up and they said she had an aorta aneurysm but they are not going to treat it yet. She isn't able to work due to the hardships of these illnesses. I did not know who else to ask to check into it for her. The hospital that treated her cancer even tried to get it approved for her. Diane struggles to make ends meet. Her mother tries to help what she can, but she doesn't have a lot either.

I know you probably get letters all the time asking for help with something, but I really felt this was important. I sincerely hope you can check into this and somehow help her get her disability, she is only 53 and would work if she could. I didn't tell her I was writing to you.

Thank you for your time, and keep up the good work, South Carolina is lucky to have you representing the state.

Sincerely,  
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