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The Honorable Nikki R. Haley

Office of the Governor

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Columbia, S.C. 29201

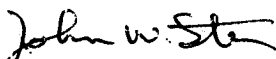
Dear Governor Haley

As you know, the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1956 signed in law by President Dwight D. Eisenhower on 29 June 1956 was the catalyst for the Greatest Public Works Project in United States history. All of us have used this transportation system for business and leisure travel.

You are also aware that South Carolina Interstates 26 and 95 are primarily two lanes in each direction while the adjacent state Georgia I-95 section is three lanes. I have observed that the South Carolina I-95 section is now a choke point for travelers. It is not uncommon for travelers to spend 3 hours to travel just 60 miles for an average speed of 20 miles per hour. Even minor and major accidents add to the travel time and impede the progress of emergency vehicles.

In summary, the State of South Carolina must expedite the construction of an additional lane for both I-26 and I-95. Your assistance in expediting the construction will be most appreciated.

Very respectfully,



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