

The Honorable Nikki R. Haley  
Office of the Governor  
1205 Pendleton Street,  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201  
**Date 3/6/15**

Dear Madam Governor,

I have no other officials to turn to concerning a local tax problem. The issue I have concerns double taxation on my local car and house tax. Berkeley County owns Cypress Gardens, which does not make a profit, hence they tax us locally not once but twice. They have not made a profit in years, and I feel it is inappropriate to charge us taxes on a failing business.

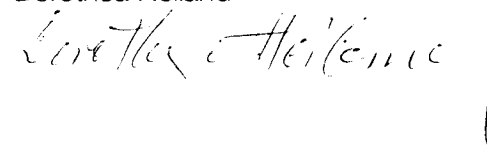
People such as myself who are on a fixed retirement income should not be forced to pay for something that is draining the little bit of income that I have. I live on twenty four thousand dollars a year, and I receive no government assistance.

We the residence of Berkley County were not given a choice to vote for this tax, and I believe that this goes against my constitutional rights of double taxation. Perhaps, Berkley County should find new ways of earning a profit from Cypress Gardens other than on the backs of tax paying citizens. We are already paying for people who don't want to work and now are also being forced to pay for illegal immigrants. Enough is enough already!

I thank you for your consideration in this matter and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

Dorothea Heiland

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Dorothea Heiland", enclosed within a large right-facing curly bracket.