

The Honorable Nikki Haley, Governor  
Columbia, SC 29201

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Dear Governor:

Chief Eddie Driggers from North Charleston made the plea again that violence in the lowcountry would be reduced considerably by getting more illegal guns off the streets. I hope you listened with an open mind, despite all the obstacles presented by NRA. I have written you in the past in a similar fashion. I agree with the original sentiment behind our second amendment, which should be readdressed and amended to reflect realities existing in twenty first century .NRA is mistakenly stuck in the past, as were Southern states, refusing Susan B. Anthony for 72 years to obtain suffrage for women. History repeats itself.

I recommend to you following measures, which are needed today:

Register all handguns in S.C. after thorough background checks, with a substantial jail penalty for non-compliance, to get most of them off the streets. We now have seen them used in schools, restaurants, a church , even at a visiting tourist, walking the streets in the lowcountry, sightseeing.

Outlaw all manner of automatic weapons such as assault rifles issued others besides law enforcement members. These weapons were designed specifically to kill people, as many and as rapidly as possible, not as game for food. Now we have a new record number of people massacred in an incident in Florida. Does anything move you into meaningful action?

Yet, you have violated your oath to protect us citizens of South Carolina, in preference to misguided demands by NRA (aren't you and your husband members of them?).

Sincerely,



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# 'Work with us,' chief urges residents

North Charleston's Driggers, activists address gun violence

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If police are going to stem the rising gun violence in North Charleston, they need more help from citizens, according to Chief Eddie Driggers.

"The community also has to take some responsibility and work with us," Driggers told The Post and Courier on Wednesday. "We're going to put blame where blame is today. There are mean people in this world, and I'm looking for community-minded people who want to work with the Police Department to come together and let's get the job done."



**Driggers**

S.C. National Action Network President James Johnson says the biggest thing police could do to stop the violence is to make more efforts to get illegal guns off the street. Johnson

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