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Congress of the United States
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December 16, 2015

The Honorable Nikki R. Haley
Governor of the State of South Carolina
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201-3756

Dear Governor Haley,

I am very pleased to present to you a copy of the December 15, 2015, *Congressional Record*, page H9313, containing my One Minute Speech, "Thank You, Governor Haley," given on the House Floor.

I appreciate your service and dedication to the community. It is an honor to represent the people of the Second Congressional District of South Carolina, and I value your input.

If I may be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

*Warmest regards,
Joe*

JOE WILSON
Member of Congress

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Best wishes for continued success.

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SPEECH OF
HON. JOE WILSON
OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2015

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate Governor Nikki Haley of South Carolina for her decision to enforce the law and fine the Department of Energy for failing to process weapons-grade plutonium, which the Department was statutorily mandated by 50 U.S. Code, Section 2566.

While the Mixed Oxide Fuel Fabrication Facility is about 70 percent completed, it will not be able to meet the January 1, 2016, deadline establishing a \$1 million a day fine up to \$100 million annually. This was documented today in the Aiken Standard by SRS beat reporter Derrek Asberry.

While other options have been examined using flawed, biased studies, they are not real alternatives because the MOX process is the only viable, legal option under our nuclear nonproliferation agreement with the Russian Federation. Additionally, it converts weapons-grade plutonium into green fuel, promotes nuclear nonproliferation, and eliminates the need for a repository.

The Department of Energy should commit to complete the MOX project in its entirety, as it promised the people of South Carolina, especially when considering the economic and environmental impact of storing the material.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and may the President by his actions never forget September the 11th in the Global War on Terrorism.