

October 2, 2014

Governor Haley,

Special education isn't at the forefront of most people's minds, but it is ours. As the parents of a special needs son adopted at birth, Sam, we speak for him as well as for other special needs high school kids who may not have an advocate. High school special education should have a heavy emphasis on careers. However, we ask that you as our Governor urge the Education Department to continue to TEACH these kids. I beg them to include parents of special needs kids and the kids themselves in their discussions that will lead to rethinking special education. There isn't enough paper to convey our experiences or what is on our hearts, but we'd be happy to talk anytime.

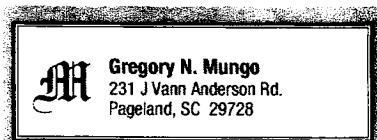
Kudos to the great State of South Carolina for leading the nation in the postsecondary education of young adults with intellectual disabilities! The LIFE and THINK programs at Clemson, USC, Winthrop, College of Charleston and Coastal Carolina are making dreams come true. The hope of Sam going to college literally changed his and our worlds when we learned of these programs last year. It is our dream that Sam will be accepted into one of these programs when he graduates from high school in 2017.

We know you do what is in the best interest of all South Carolinians. For all you've done to keep our state business-friendly, and fiscally responsible, as well as helping to preserve our conservative values, a sincere thank you from our family.

The Mungo Family

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Sam and Dabo at Football Camp 2014



Sam and Dabo at Howard's Rock, 2014



Sam is the Manager for Pageland's Central High Eagles Football Team.

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Governer Haley,

I hope you

win.

Sam

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