



HENRY McMMASTER  
GOVERNOR

July 2, 2021

The Honorable David Platts  
Director  
Arts Commission  
1026 Sumter Street, Suite 200  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

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The Honorable Marcia Adams  
Director  
Department of Administration  
1200 Senate Street, Suite 460  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Director Adams,

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The Honorable Hugh Weathers  
Commissioner  
Department of Agriculture  
1200 Senate Street  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

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The Honorable Sara Goldsby  
Director  
Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services  
1801 Main Street, 4th Floor  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Director Goldsby,

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The Honorable Eric Emerson  
Director  
Department of Archives and History  
8301 Parklane Road  
Columbia, South Carolina 29223

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The Honorable Harry Lightsey  
Secretary  
Department of Commerce  
1201 Main Street, Suite 1600  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

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The Honorable Constance Holloway  
Interim Director  
Department of Disabilities and Special Needs  
3440 Harden Street Extension  
Columbia, South Carolina 29203

Dear Director Holloway,

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The Honorable Molly Spearman  
Superintendent of Education  
Department of Education  
1429 Senate Street  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Superintendent Spearman,

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The Honorable Edward Simmer  
Director  
Department of Health and Environmental Control  
2600 Bull Street  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

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The Honorable Robert Kerr  
Director  
Department of Health and Human Services  
1801 Main Street  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

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The Honorable Freddie Pough  
Director  
Department of Juvenile Justice  
4900 Broad River Road  
Columbia, South Carolina 29212

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The Honorable Kenneth Rogers  
Director  
Department of Mental Health  
2414 Bull Street  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

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The Honorable Robert Boyles  
Director  
Department of Natural Resources  
1000 Assembly Street  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

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The Honorable Duane Parrish  
Director  
Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism  
1205 Pendleton Street  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

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The Honorable Jerry Adger  
Director  
Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services  
293 Greystone Boulevard  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

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Director  
Department of Public Safety  
10311 Wilson Boulevard  
Blythewood, South Carolina 29016

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Director  
Department of Social Services  
1535 Confederate Avenue Extension  
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GOVERNOR

July 2, 2021

The Honorable Christy Hall  
Secretary  
Department of Transportation  
955 Park Street, Suite 201  
Columbia, South Carolina 29216

Dear Secretary Hall,

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The Honorable William Grimsley  
Secretary  
Department of Veterans' Affairs  
1205 Pendleton Street, Suite 463  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Secretary Grimsley,

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July 2, 2021

The Honorable Connie Munn  
Director  
Department on Aging  
1301 Gervais Street, Suite 350  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Director Munn,

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The Honorable R. Van McCarty  
Adjutant General  
Office of Adjutant General  
1 National Guard Road  
Columbia, South Carolina 20201

Dear General McCarty,

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The Honorable Michael Hastings  
Director  
Patriots Point Development Authority  
40 Patriots Point Road  
Charleston, South Carolina 29464

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The Honorable Jim Newsome  
President and CEO  
State Ports Authority  
200 Ports Authority Drive  
Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina 29464

Dear Mr. Newsome,

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July 2, 2021

The Honorable Curtis Loftis  
Treasurer  
Office of the State Treasurer  
1200 Senate Street, Suite 214  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Treasurer Loftis,

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