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The Honorable Daniel E. Shearouse
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S.C. SUPREME COURT

RE: South Carolina Public Interest Foundation, et al. v. The South Carolina
House of Representatives, et al.
Civil Action No. 2017-CP-40-00484
Appellate Case No. 2017-001638
Our File No. 49622/01500

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

The South Carolina Senate and the Honorable Hugh K. Leatherman, Sr., in his capacity as President Pro Tempore of the South Carolina Senate (collectively, the "Senate"), join in the supplemental brief filed on June 15, 2018, by the South Carolina House of Representatives and Speaker Lucas. The Senate agrees with the content of the brief and adopts the arguments in favor of dismissal of the above-referenced appeal as moot.

By copy of this letter, I am serving this letter on counsel of record for all parties.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Matthew A. Abee'.

Matthew A. Abee

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