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Mr. Joe Murray
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Post Office Box 2959
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\$3,500
S.C. political*

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Dear Joe,

Since 1995, when control of the South Carolina House of Representatives shifted to Republican hands, we have maintained a commitment to two overriding principals: 1. To support responsible, conservative, anti-tax, pro-business positions; and 2. To keep the promises we have made in our pledges to the people of South Carolina.

The elections of 1998 will more sharply bring into focus the importance of a House of Representatives devoted to shrinking government instead of growing it; a House which believes that state government should be a partner in helping to grow jobs and attract industry. With both the Senate and the Governor's Office in the hands of Democrats, the role of the House as the voice of smaller, less intrusive government will be even more crucial.

During the 1994 campaign we formed a partnership with the S.C. business called the Business Roundtable. This has provided us with an excellent mechanism to stay in touch with the concerns of businesses and trade associations which are impacted by the legislative process and, through an annual giving program to establish a reliable fundraising base for the Caucus' political activities.

We are most appreciative of your past participation in the Business Roundtable and would like to take this opportunity to invite you to renew your membership for 1999. As in past years, your \$3,500 contribution covers

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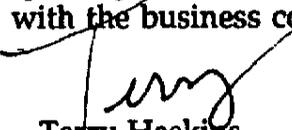
your attendance at all Caucus political events including the annual Golf and Tennis Tournament and the Spring Reception. In addition we will continue to hold periodic meetings of the Roundtable with the Caucus membership to discuss legislative and political issues.

The first meeting of the Business Roundtable will be a reception on Tuesday, Feb. 16 at 5:30 p.m. at the Clarion Town House Hotel on Gervais street in Columbia. Our special guest for the first meeting will be former Governor Carroll A. Campbell.

Please respond by returning the enclosed reply card with your check and the names of your attendees to the reception. Because of space limitations we ask that you limit your attendees to two per company. Please contact our Caucus office at 734-3139 of Fred Allen at 254-5626 with any questions.

Again, thank you for your past participation and we look forward to another successful year of partnership with the business community.


David H. Wilkins
Speaker of the House

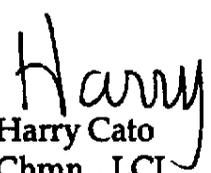

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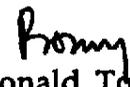

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