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The Honorable Henry McMaster State House 1100 Gervais Street Columbia, South Carolina 29201

RE: Budget Appropriation for Bettis Park

Dear Governor McMaster,

Edgefield County is exceedingly grateful for the \$800,000 appropriation for improvements to Bettis Park. This Edgefield County Park, beloved by the community, will benefit immensely from this funding. Below please find the items proposed for funding with this appropriation:

- Reconstruction of the derelict baseball field adjacent to Shortcut Road, complete with new fencing, dugouts, bleachers, score board, and lighting
- Parking lot improvements
- Laser-grading and top dressing of the existing football field along with a new scoreboard
- Refinishing the restroom floors
- The addition of outfield fencing for two baseball fields to replace portable fencing
- Repairing the asphalt and repainting the basketball courts
- Construction of tennis and/or pickleball courts
- Conversion of field lights to LEDs

Implementing the items above will greatly improve this park for the use and enjoyment of the citizens of Edgefield County. We appreciate the hard work of the Legislature and Governor's Office to provide tangible improvements to the communities of this state.

Please call me at (803) 215-3931 if I may answer any questions on the proposed projects.

In your service,

David Caddell Edgefield County Administrator