

June 25, 2018

Lin Hollowell  
Director, Health Care  
The Duke Endowment  
800 East Morehead Street  
Charlotte, NC 28202-2706

Dear Mr. Hollowell,

On behalf of the obesity prevention coalition in Spartanburg County, please accept this letter in support of the Eat Smart Move More Spartanburg County application to become a Healthy People Healthy Carolinas site.

The coalition has its roots in the Childhood Obesity Taskforce that started in 2008 and transitioned to the Eat Smart Move More Spartanburg chapter in early 2017. For the last year the group stepped back to examine the partnership, to invite broader representation, to evaluate evidence based interventions already underway, and to seek new and innovate strategies.

The timing for the Spartanburg community is ripe thanks to a renewed commitment to develop a comprehensive roadmap for our future work. The Healthy People Healthy Communities grant would provide needed capacity, resources, and direction to accelerate our efforts.

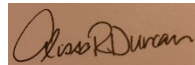
We will support this broad-based partnership and look forward to improving opportunities for healthy eating and physical activity in the Spartanburg community.

Sincerely,

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Anna Converse, obesity prevention co-chair and Mary Black Foundation Trustee

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Alissa Duncan, Spartanburg Food System &  
South Carolina Food Policy Council

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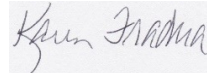
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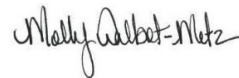
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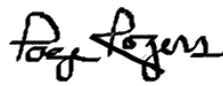


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