

**Representing** over 1 million South Carolinians, the 102 S.C. mayors below call on presidential candidates of both parties to address climate change as they campaign across our state this primary season.

**These mayors** represent cities large and small. They come from every region of our state and both political parties. But they understand that addressing climate change will require presidential leadership. So as these mayors work in their communities to create a clean energy

future, they expect leaders in Washington to act, too.

# Mayors across South Carolina Demand Action on Climate Change

William Barnett  
MAYOR, CITY OF SPARTANBURG

Joseph Riley  
MAYOR, CITY OF CHARLESTON

Larry Abernathy  
MAYOR, CITY OF CLEMSON

Carl Beckmann  
MAYOR, CITY OF FOLLY BEACH

Mary Clark  
MAYOR, CITY OF CAMDEN

Bob Coble  
MAYOR, CITY OF COLUMBIA

John Douglas  
MAYOR, TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD

A. Douglas Echols  
MAYOR, CITY OF ROCK HILL

Randy Halfacre  
MAYOR, TOWN OF LEXINGTON

Henry Johnston  
MAYOR, TOWN OF BLUFFTON

Henry Jolly  
MAYOR, CITY OF GAFFNEY

J. Edward Lee  
MAYOR, CITY OF YORK

Joseph McElveen  
MAYOR, CITY OF SUMTER

E. Bruce Morgan  
MAYOR, CITY OF UNION

Samuel Murray  
MAYOR, TOWN OF PORT ROYAL

Floyd Nicholson  
MAYOR, CITY OF GREENWOOD

William Peagler  
MAYOR, TOWN OF MONCK'S CORNER

Thomas Peoples  
MAYOR, TOWN OF HILTON HEAD ISLAND

Carl Smith  
MAYOR, TOWN OF SULLIVAN'S ISLAND

Avery Wilkerson  
MAYOR, CITY OF CAYCE

Rutledge Leland  
MAYOR, TOWN OF MCCLELLANVILLE

Andrew Ingram  
MAYOR, TOWN OF CHERAW

Kevin Johnson  
MAYOR, CITY OF MANNING

B. Phillips  
MAYOR, TOWN OF LYNCHBURG

Burley Lyons  
MAYOR, TOWN OF EDISTO BEACH

Johnnie Ganus  
MAYOR, TOWN OF GOVAN

Richard Thomas  
MAYOR, TOWN OF ARCADIA LAKES

Roy Pipkin  
MAYOR, TOWN OF JAMESTOWN

Roger Gaddy  
MAYOR, TOWN OF WINNSBORO

Betty Sims  
MAYOR, TOWN OF OLANTA

Henry Starnes  
MAYOR, TOWN OF GREAT FALLS

F. Michael Sottile  
MAYOR, CITY OF ISLE OF PALMS

W. Kenneth McDonald  
MAYOR, CITY OF MULLINS

Phillip Clardy  
MAYOR, TOWN OF WILLIAMSTON

Dean Bentley  
MAYOR, TOWN OF LOCKHART

Michael Holt  
MAYOR, CITY OF HARTSVILLE

Wendell Perdue  
MAYOR, TOWN OF PATRICK

T. Edward Kyzer  
MAYOR, CITY OF NEWBERRY

Janice Havird  
MAYOR, TOWN OF SILVERSTREET

Bobby Horton  
MAYOR, CITY OF WEST COLUMBIA

Lynn Wood Wilson  
MAYOR, CITY OF GEORGETOWN

Charlene Herring  
MAYOR, TOWN OF RIDGEWAY

Carrie Simmons  
MAYOR, CITY OF DENMARK

Knox White  
MAYOR, CITY OF GREENVILLE

Sharon Brownlee  
MAYOR, CITY OF LAURENS

David Stoudenmire  
MAYOR, CITY OF LORIS

E. A. Stevenson  
MAYOR, TOWN OF ALLENDALE

M.E. Christopher  
MAYOR, CITY OF EASLEY

Tony Funderburk  
MAYOR, TOWN OF JEFFERSON

Ray Copeland  
MAYOR, TOWN OF CAMPOBELLO

Curtis Dorsey  
MAYOR, TOWN OF ANDREWS

Charles Ackerman  
MAYOR, TOWN OF HARLEYVILLE

Libby Holst  
MAYOR, TOWN OF ROCKVILLE

David Gordon  
MAYOR, TOWN OF MOUNT CROGHAN

Charles Ferguson  
MAYOR, TOWN OF FORT LAWN

John Carter  
MAYOR, TOWN OF GRAY COURT

Terry Wright  
MAYOR, TOWN OF BRUNSON

John Rhoden  
MAYOR, TOWN OF HAMPTON

Bobby Gordon  
MAYOR, TOWN OF LIVINGSTON

Frederick Cavanaugh  
MAYOR, CITY OF AIKEN

Joe Shaw  
MAYOR, CITY OF LANCASTER

Tim Cooner  
MAYOR, TOWN OF BRANCHVILLE

R. C. Jones  
MAYOR, CITY OF MAULDIN

Richard Danner  
MAYOR, CITY OF GREER

Comer Randall  
MAYOR, CITY OF CLINTON

Harold McNeill  
MAYOR, CITY OF ABBEVILLE

Ralph Patterson  
MAYOR, TOWN OF DUE WEST

Frank Addy  
MAYOR, TOWN OF SALUDA

Paul Wimberly  
MAYOR, TOWN OF REEVESVILLE

Dexe Bostick  
MAYOR, CITY OF BENNETTSVILLE

William Otis  
MAYOR, TOWN OF PAWLEYS ISLAND

O. Johnson  
MAYOR, TOWN OF LITTLE MOUNTAIN

Keith Summey  
MAYOR, CITY OF NORTH CHARLESTON

Michael Heitzler  
MAYOR, CITY OF GOOSE CREEK

Robert Rimes  
MAYOR, TOWN OF KLINE

Roy Reynolds  
MAYOR, CITY OF TRAVELERS REST

Vickie Cook  
MAYOR, TOWN OF CENTRAL PACOLET

Edith Abell Cantrell  
MAYOR, TOWN OF LOWRYS

Sallie Peake  
MAYOR, CITY OF WELLFORD

John Rhodes  
MAYOR, CITY OF MYRTLE BEACH

Irene Armstrong  
MAYOR, TOWN OF ATLANTIC BEACH

John Hamby  
MAYOR, TOWN OF DUNCAN

W. Earl Jeffcoat  
MAYOR, TOWN OF NORTH

Marilyn Hatley  
MAYOR, CITY OF NORTH MYRTLE BEACH

Eddie Kirkley  
MAYOR, TOWN OF MCBEE

John McMillan  
MAYOR, TOWN OF PARKSVILLE

Gregory Martin  
MAYOR, CITY OF CONWAY

Berlin Myers  
MAYOR, TOWN OF SUMMERVILLE

Frank McNulty  
MAYOR, TOWN OF SEABROOK ISLAND

Bill Rauch  
MAYOR, CITY OF BEAUFORT

Paul Miller  
MAYOR, CITY OF ORANGEBURG

Tim Griffin  
MAYOR, TOWN OF NINETY SIX

David Owens  
MAYOR, CITY OF PICKENS

Kenneth Davis  
MAYOR, TOWN OF PELZER

Helen Summer  
MAYOR, TOWN OF TRENTON

Gary Long  
MAYOR, CITY OF FOUNTAIN INN

Gary Quick  
MAYOR, TOWN OF MCCOLL

Christopher Faulkner  
MAYOR, TOWN OF SMYRNA

Robert Runde  
MAYOR, CITY OF TEGA CAY

Reba Vinson  
MAYOR, TOWN OF JONESVILLE

James Williams  
MAYOR, TOWN OF RIDGEVILLE

Willie Campbell  
MAYOR, TOWN OF JOHNSTON

## An Open Letter to Presidential Candidates Visiting South Carolina

South Carolina voters will play a central role in determining the next President of the United States. While we recognize that there are many important issues before us, one requires immediate attention: the growing threat of global warming. As South Carolina mayors, it is our duty to add our voice to the growing chorus of scientific, business, and community leaders who say the time to act on global climate change is now.

From the wooded foothills of the Upstate, to the fertile soil of the Midlands, to the pristine marshes of the Coast, South Carolina enjoys one of the richest and most diverse natural habitats in the United States. Indeed, the quality of life we enjoy helps explain why South Carolina's population is projected to increase 27 percent by 2025. To meet the challenges of this rapid growth, our communities are quickly learning the value of efficiency and conservation as a means to save both taxpayer dollars and the environment. We are investing at the local level in more efficient municipal buildings, promoting "green fleets" in our public transportation, and educating our constituents in the value of conservation to reduce energy costs and harmful environmental impacts.

These measures will go part of the way toward ushering our state into a new energy future. But the only way to lower carbon emissions and usher in a new era of energy production is through strong national leadership.

So as you visit the towns and cities where we make our homes, and talk to the constituents we serve, we urge you to make solving climate change a top priority in your conversations with South Carolina voters. We also hope you will share your ideas about the unique opportunities available in developing clean energy technologies, reducing our dependence on foreign oil, stimulating billions of dollars in new investments, and creating millions of new jobs.

Since solving global climate change will establish a healthier, more efficient, and more secure nation, we expect candidates from all parties to outline clear plans for addressing this issue.

We look forward to your visiting the Palmetto State and discussing the critical challenges before us.

Sincerely,

**Endorsed by** the Carolina Climate Network, the Coastal Conservation League, Conservation Voters of South Carolina, South Carolina Wildlife Federation, and Southern Alliance for Clean Energy