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Mr. Dane Neal  
National Director of Communications  
Save A Life Foundation, Inc.  
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Dear Mr. Neal:

It is important that people in our state be prepared for natural disasters. Over the past several years our state has experienced flooding, severe winter ice storms, and the landfall of two major hurricanes.

It is also very important that North Carolinians be trained in preparedness for everyday emergency and life-saving situations. It is essential that the children in our state receive this type of training so they can learn how to respond in situations that could occur at any time - whether they are at school, at home, or on a playground at the park.

As we proceed with our new collaborative partnership that will provide this training to North Carolina children, I look forward to the support and willingness of dedicated community-minded businesses like NEXTEL and others. I also welcome the participation of the NASCAR auto racing community in this training effort. NASCAR has its home in our state and they have proven to be a leader in their dedication to safety and preparedness.

My office will participate with Save A Life Foundation (SALF) in this partnership through Citizen Corps of NC. This partnership will raise public awareness across our state as we promote individual and community emergency preparedness, safety, and volunteerism.

I would like to thank SALF, a national affiliate of Citizen Corps, for their assistance and dedication in this collaborative effort. I am pleased that, through their involvement, SALF will help our state to provide free emergency preparedness training to public school children in North Carolina.

With kindest regards, I remain

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Easley".

Michael F. Easley

MRF: fs

cc: Carol Spizzirri, SALF President/Founder

