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Dear Smoke Free Advocate,

As 2016 comes to an end we look forward to a new year and as such now is the time to renew your annual membership to the Smoke Free Lowcountry Coalition for 2017. We continue to need your support and involvement to increase public awareness and education as it relates to the dangers and health risks related to tobacco use and E-cigs. Our advocacy is the only way to ensure that we move our smoke-free initiatives forward and effect policy change to protect everyone from the dangers of tobacco. There are important initiatives on the table and much work is ahead of us to protect all citizens from the harmful effects of smoking and secondhand smoke and we are doing other important work this year related to smokeless tobacco and smoking cessation efforts.

Please join us in support of our important smoke-free initiatives by becoming a member of our coalition. Your financial support provided through your membership, helps us with mailing surveys, grant work and much more. We try to keep membership dues low, but please know that every dollar counts and we welcome larger donations as well. You can also support our efforts through volunteering and simply being a vocal advocate for our mission. Please contact your city, county, and state representatives to advocate for smoke free workplaces for all. This includes the cities of North Charleston and Moncks Corner, unincorporated Berkeley and Dorchester counties as well as other areas of the Lowcountry that remain polluted by tobacco smoke. We also advocate for smoke free community housing for renters, limits on point of sale distribution to minors and smoking cessation efforts. We have achieved great success in recent years, but there is much more to be done. Your financial and volunteer support is critical to our continued success.

You can renew or start a new membership either by completing and returning the attached membership form or by visiting our website at <a href="https://www.smokefreelowcountry.org">www.smokefreelowcountry.org</a> and submitting payment via our secure Pay Pal link. Our website is also a great place to learn about recent and upcoming efforts, and to learn about tobacco issues in general.

Thank you in advance for your interest and support of the Smoke Free Lowcountry Coalition and we look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely

SPLC Board President

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