

ALAN WILSON ATTORNEY GENERAL

April 4, 2025

Honorable Byron E. Gipson, Fifth Circuit Solicitor 1701 Main Street Columbia, SC 29201 *Via US mail and email* 

**Re:** State vs. Rosali Issac Fernandez-Cruz: 2025A4021601118, 2025A4021601119, 2025A4021601120, and 2025A4021601121

Dear Solicitor Gipson,

Pursuant to our discussion today, I am sending this letter to advise you that, as part of this Office's ongoing review of various matters involving the presence of illegal immigrants in South Carolina, I will be adopting the prosecution of State vs. Rosali Issac Fernandez-Cruz for hit-and-run resulting in death, failure to render aid, driving without a license, and failure to yield right of way. Those charges arose from the collision in Columbia that resulted in the tragic death of USC student Nathanial G. Baker on April 2, 2025.

As always, thank you for your continued partnership on these and other matters, and I look forward to our joint efforts to ensure respect for the rule of law and justice for all South Carolina citizens.

Sincerely.

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Cc: William H. "Skip" Holbrook, Chief Columbia Police Department