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Dear Graduate:

Congratulations on earning your degree from the University of South Florida. Your choice to work toward this goal will open opportunities for you to pursue of the American dream. Across our state, opportunities are growing for Florida families, and having a great education will help you build a great career.

My goal as Governor is to make Florida the global destination for jobs so families have their shot at the American dream. We are on a mission to outcompete the world, and by doing so we are creating opportunities for Floridians to live out their dreams. Having grown up in a family that struggled to make ends meet, I know the importance of each and every family having an opportunity.

As Governor, I am working to ensure that Florida’s colleges and universities are focused on helping students get jobs. Since December 2010 we have created more than 841,100 jobs while making higher education more affordable.

To help you find great job opportunities here in Florida, I encourage you to explore the online job listings in Employ Florida Marketplace, employflorida.com. With more than 289,000 job openings advertised online in our state, this one-stop job exchange helps connect quality candidates with employers. For in-person assistance, visit careersourceflorida.com to locate your local career center, learn more about job openings, and receive resume and interviewing help, along with many other services.

I encourage you to pursue your dreams in Florida.

Sincerely,

Rick Scott
Governor

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