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Stephanie Stevens
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Dear Stephanie,

Thank you for writing to express your concerns about the State of Mississippi. Your parents are right that Mississippi is a good place to raise a family but I can understand that your friends are not thinking about families at this point in their life.

The reason I decided to run for Governor of Mississippi is because I have lived here all of my life. I was born in Batesville, Mississippi, I love our state and would like to see it grow and prosper. Mississippi is "America's State of Promise" and we are working to make our state a better place to live, work and raise a family.

Through the work of today's leaders we are moving Mississippi forward, but through the initiative and work of tomorrow's leaders, such as you and your friends, we will lead Mississippi into a bright future. Keep your head up and encourage your friends to strive towards excellence. Their hard work today, will lead to a brighter tomorrow for Mississippi.

Very truly yours,

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