



**Bernadette R. Hampton**  
UniDistrict 7 Representative (current)  
**Candidate for VICE PRESIDENT**

As an effective leader for educators in my region, I have spent countless hours traveling to stand where my members stand, see what my members see, hear of their successes and needs, and I have brought all those experiences to The SCEA Headquarters. I make this kind of commitment because members must trust their elected leaders to stand for them.

**I WAS THERE** when The SCEA rallied at the State House for full funding of public schools.

**I WAS THERE** when The SCEA lobbied against Governor Mark Stanford's vouchers.

And, I pledge, **I WILL BE THERE**

- when the battles over tax fairness are waged
- when we work to obtain the right to remit professional dues through payroll deduction
- when we work to keep public dollars in public education
- when we turn back the damage done to our health care benefits
- when we ensure equitable school funding

My experiences as a classroom teacher, trainer, national presenter, local and state leader, and political organizer have prepared me for this position. I am informed, prepared, and ready to use my skills to redirect this association to serve as a beacon to educators feeling the pressure of federal mandates, state initiatives, and local cutbacks. I believe a strong education association built on integrity is the best hope for ensuring educational improvement. I will strive to work with the next SCEA President to create a proactive association which addresses the issues that most affect public education.

As an educator in Beaufort County for 15 years, I have stood in your shoes.

As an elected Representative for The SCEA UniDistrict 7, I have stood in for you when you couldn't be there.

As **VICE PRESIDENT of The SCEA**, I will continue to advocate for positive changes that will benefit all educators and children of South Carolina.

**I am BERNADETTE HAMPTON and I appreciate your support.**



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