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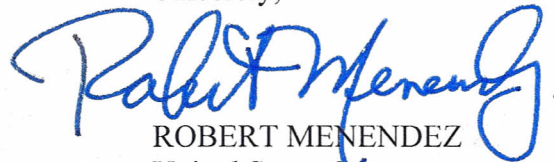
Dear Mr. Christie,

Thank you for inviting me to speak at the Probation Association of New Jersey's (PANJ) 68th Annual Training Conference. It was truly an honor to address a group of people who contribute to public safety in such a direct and tangible way. I appreciate the opportunity to share my thoughts on what we must do as a society to create safer and more secure communities in which to live and work.

Indeed, we have much work to do, and as your United States Senator, I will continue to fight each day to provide our public servants with the tools they need to continue protecting our citizens, cleaning up our streets, and ensuring that those with prior records are rehabilitated and turned into productive members of society. This includes possible reintroduction of Congressman Pascrell's bill that would create a task force charged with establishing national guidelines for the safety training and equipping of Probation Officers.

Again, thank you for inviting me to address the members of PANJ and please do not hesitate to contact my office if I can be of any assistance. I look forward to working with you in the months and years to come as we strive towards creating a safer society.

Sincerely,



ROBERT MENENDEZ
United States Senator

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