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Hon. Philip Murphy
Governor of New Jersey
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Dear Gov. Murphy:

As you are aware, long term care facilities have been acutely affected by the Covid-19 virus. According to a Keiser Family Foundation Report, as a share of deaths from the virus in New Jersey, 53% of those deaths were patients in long term care facilities. In Manchester Township, several of our long term care facilities appear to have been hard hit. To the public, the numbers appear particularly high in relation to other long-term care facilities. Many residents have friends and loved ones in these facilities. These patients are our residents and we need to ensure that they are receiving the best possible care.

The Center for Disease Control and Protection has established guidelines to curb the introduction of the virus into these facilities. To protect our residents in these facilities, I request that the state perform an inspection to ensure that all our residents are receiving appropriate care. I am not intimating that these facilities are doing anything improper, however, to the public it appears that some facilities may not be following the required procedures/protocol and an investigation will address the public's concerns.

I appreciate your leadership on this issue. Please feel free to contact me if you have questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Hudak
Manchester Township Council

cc: Senator James A. Holzapfel
Assemblyman John Catalano
Assemblyman Gregory P. McGuckin

