



The Honorable Philip D. Murphy
c/o Murphy for Governor 2021
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Dear Governor Murphy,

I trust you are enjoying your vacation in Italy. The villa sounds luxurious.

Twenty-three rooms, horse stables, tennis courts, a pool...and servant's quarters. A multi-million dollar home that pays only \$12,600 in property taxes?!

Sounds like a pretty sweet deal. I know a great many \$400,000 homeowners in New Jersey who pay a lot more. Well, I digress.

I am writing today after another day on the campaign trail up and down New Jersey. Residents are outraged by property taxes, saddened by all the closed businesses, and concerned about rising crime. They want to hear about solutions – mine and yours. By the way, sorry to tell you, your "if you don't like it, leave" remark doesn't go over well with New Jerseyans.

Anyway, New Jerseyans seem to want a debate BEFORE they have the opportunity to vote. Who wouldn't? Problem is, because of the expanded vote by mail law you signed, our debates take place AFTER people who vote by mail get their ballots.

Unfortunately, the state didn't take this into account. By the time we do take the stage together on September 28, it's likely that tens of thousands of people will have already cast their ballots.

That being the case, here's my proposal: Let's add at least one debate as soon as you get back from your vacation. By that point, voting in this election will be less than 30 days away. Logistics should not stand in the way of this important tradition for democracy, as several organizations, including The League of Women Voters, have already expressed interest in hosting debates between us. I'll even rent the space and meet you in townhalls across the state like Lincoln-Douglass.

Let's give the people of New Jersey what they deserve. I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jack".

Jack Ciattarelli