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The Honorable Governor Phil Murphy
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Dear Governor Murphy:

I respectfully renew my concerns regarding the reinstatement of the black bear hunt. Black bears are a vital part of New Jersey's ecosystem, and we should prioritize non-lethal methods such as public education on bear behavior, the use of bear-resistant trash containers, and habitat management to prevent human-bear conflicts.

Non-lethal approaches can be just as effective, if not more so, than hunting, while also being more humane. I urge your administration to reconsider the bear hunt in favor of these alternatives.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter and for your continued commitment to animal welfare and environmental protection in our state.

Respectfully yours,


RAJ MUKHERJI