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The Honorable Phil Murphy
Governor, the State of New Jersey
225 West State Street
Trenton, NJ 08625

Dear Governor Murphy,

While I fully and wholeheartedly support your October 5th decision to suspend New Jersey's bear hunt at the start of 2021, I urge you to furthermore suspend the 2020 bear hunt out of an abundance of caution due to our state's rising COVID-19 cases.

I find myself, along with many of my Assembly colleagues, growing increasingly concerned over the recent upticks in cases, and we cannot allow residents to give into a false sense of security. Not to mention, we are one of two states that allow the trophy hunting of bear cubs, and the final bear hunt will attract hunters from around the Tri-State area in a time when out-of-state travel is highly discouraged.

I thank you for our state's new and humane approach to the bear hunt. Should you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nicholas A. Chiaravalloti".

Assemblyman Nicholas A. Chiaravalloti
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