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Dear Governor Murphy,

I am writing to you today to respectfully request that the 2020 bear hunt be fully suspended on public and private lands. While our state is in the midst of this global pandemic it is irresponsible to allow an event that draws out of state hunters to occur. In light of rising numbers in our state and in surrounding states, the fact that we are unsure whether hunters from states on our quarantine list will and not comply with the two week quarantine suggested by your orders puts our residents at unnecessary risk.

Please consider suspending the 2020 bear hunt in the interest of every New Jerseyans' public health. We must not allow an event like this to put all of our hard work to contain the virus at risk. We have all made sacrifices and changed our behavior to combat COVID-19, and suspending the bear hunt in the interest of public health during this pandemic is one more change we can make. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Assemblyman Chris Tully