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Honorable Donald T. DiFrancesco
Senate President
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Honorable Jack Collins
Assembly Speaker
State House
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Honorable John A. Lynch
Senate Minority Leader
State House
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Honorable Joseph V. Doria, Jr.
Assembly Minority Leader
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RE: Annual Report on Reprieves, Pardons and Commutations granted during the period of January 1, 1996 to December 31, 1996

Dear Senator DiFrancesco, Senator Lynch, Assemblyman Collins and Assemblyman Doria:

As you know, under New Jersey State law, the Governor is responsible for granting reprieves, pardons and commutations. A reprieve provides temporary relief from the execution of a criminal punishment or sentence, while a pardon forgives a person for past criminal conduct. A commutation allows someone currently serving a sentence to be released from incarceration or have his or her sentence reduced.

In accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2A:167-3.1, I hereby file this report to advise you that I have not granted any reprieves, pardons or commutations for the period of January 1, 1996 to December 31, 1996.

Yours sincerely,

Christine Todd Whitman
Governor