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Whatever Challenges Come, I Pray They're Significantly Less Than Those Of October 29, 2012

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Gov. Christie: Whatever Challenges Come, I Pray They're Significantly Less ...

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Transcript:

Governor Christie: Those who remember what was done are those who were helped and they'll remember about what this government's been able to do but just as importantly what your fellow citizens have done for you. Because the stories that will be the most long lasting will not be about any particular government program but it will be about the neighbors, the friends, the family members, who stood up for you when you needed to be stood up for. For those who put you in their homes, for those who lent you money when you needed some money lent to you, for those who were able to help you through the mountains of paperwork, for those who were willing to stand up and to support your business when you thought there was no hope that you would reopen. Those person to person, citizen to citizen stories are the ones that people will remember, those are the ones that you remember the most and those are the people that will be most important to you in your life and we try to do the best we can to facilitate and make those relationships easier. As we move forward, there will continue to be challenges for us to meet, and as we meet those challenges, each and every one of you will think back to this period of four years, and whatever challenges come forward I pray they'll be significantly less than what we dealt with on October 29th, 2012. And to the extent that they are, all of the resilience, all of the experience, and all of the toughness that was born out of this awful situation will

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serve us and our families extraordinarily well. I can tell you it's served me well, and no matter what challenge I face in a particular day I can guarantee you this, it's a heck of a lot easier than when I sat in that emergency operations center on the morning of October 30th, 2012 and had heard what had happened to my state. And sat there, and hardest part of this job, that day, was all these people, people like Bob Martin who was there that day in charge of Environmental Protection, gave me all their briefings and then after they are done telling me what all the problems are, everybody gets quiet and they look at the head of the table and so, ok, now what are we going to do? That's what you hired me for. And I'm proud of what we've been able to do over the last four years to help restore our state. And let us remember that as frustrated as we are today, as angry as some of us may be and as happy as others may be, we're going to wake up tomorrow morning, October 29th, 2016 and based upon the information I have for weather tomorrow, we're not going to have anything like we had four years ago and that's a real relief and a real blessing. Let us not forget that despite whatever frustrations we have, God has bestowed upon us incredible blessings and tomorrow when the sun rises there will be another one. Another day where we get to get to get up and we try to do something really great with our lives for ourselves, and for our families, and for our community. That's what I'm going to do when I get up tomorrow morning and I hope that you'll do it as well. So thank you all for being here today, I appreciate it very much.

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