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#### Transcript:

**Nick Hilton:** I have never heard a public official or anybody in anything like the position that you hold have such a kind of articulate such an enlightened view of all this. It's rare and positively enlightening. I think that you have a bully pulpit, I had no idea that you felt that way. I mean I've been living in New Jersey since I was- a long time and I had no idea that anybody thought like you think or that you thought that way. And it was really remarkable and I hope that you have the strength and energy to continue in whatever forum you have to say it because it's very powerful.

**Governor Christie:** I've been talking about this for a long time. You know I think that the Presidential race for whatever reason, gave me a broader platform and you know the Huffington Post just happened to be there that night. You know some of it is just luck. I was at a class, speaking at a class at Rutgers last night on political campaigns and one of the students asked me did you like think that was a key moment in your campaign and how did you plan for it. And I said well, it was and how did I plan for it, I just answered a question at a town hall meeting, and people with cameras just happened to be there and get struck by it and cut it, and put it on the internet on their site and like you said now we're over 5 million hits on that. That doesn't happen much. The only thing I think I've done that has gotten more hits than that is you know dancing on the Jimmy Fallon show. And that's just people who have morbid curiosity. So I'm going to continue to speak out because as you know, I've been involved in this for a really long time. I know just have a platform and forum to continue to talk about it in a way that I think is really important and so I appreciate you noticing. And it

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won't change and it won't change after I leave office. You know, I'm looking forward to hopefully invited back onto the board at Daytop and working for them and working for other facilities as well after I leave office because you know that work- one of the disappointments of being US Attorney and Governor was I couldn't be on those boards anymore so it will be good I'm going back to Daytop on I think Tuesday of next week for a holiday event which I haven't been to in a few years so I need to go back and see the kids and see the folks who are helping them and it's a really important thing.

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