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Transcript:

Governor Christie: What I'm most proud of? You know I think that's for other people to judge and not me because I can't be objective about it in some sense you know. There's a lot of things that I've done that I'm really happy about. There's some things that have happened that I'm not happy about. But more than anything else I think I've just try to be myself in this job and to be honest. And sometimes that makes you popular and sometimes it makes you unpopular, that's the way it goes. But one thing I've never been worried about here, except when I was running for reelection, you definitely want to be popular then, so if you're gonna pick just one moment when you want to be popular, that's the time to be popular but the rest of the time, I've been as popular as 75 percent job approval and as unpopular as 18 percent job approval rating and everything in between. What I try to explain to folks all the time is like you know, what's going to matter is how I've impacted people's lives in the time that I've had to do it. And what I tell the fourth graders who come to the State House all the time to visit because they're learning about New Jersey in the fourth grade. They always ask me what's the best part of being governor. And what I tell them is the best part of being governor is every morning when I get up I've got a chance to do something great. I don't always because I'm human I don't always do something great every day. But I got a chance to do something great. That's a pretty good job. So I think, you know I could sit down and give you list of things, well you know property tax cap, that really worked, ok? I mean in the end, it's what impact did we have on people's lives and I think I've had a positive one but they'll be some people when I leave next January who will be like saying, either out loud or under their breath good riddance you know. And there will be some people who will say I'm really sad he's going. If you try to do these jobs to be universally popular the only thing you will be is a universal failure.

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