

Governor Phil Murphy

Statement from Governor Murphy on the Passing of Atlantic County Commissioner Ernest Coursey

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"Tammy and I are heartbroken by the loss of our dear friend, Atlantic County Commissioner Ernie Coursey.

"Throughout his life, Ernie gave his heart and soul to Atlantic County. As a lifelong resident of Atlantic City, he always fought for the city's future and, most of all, the future of his neighbors who embodied the community's spirit and grit. From lowering local taxes to improving public safety to supporting the construction of new community assets – like the National Aerospace Research and Technical Park and Stockton University's campus in Atlantic City – he worked relentlessly to bring opportunity and prosperity to Atlantic County's workers, businessowners, and families.

"True to Ernie's reputation as a 'people person,' he was not just an upstanding public servant – he was an outstanding friend. He was a man of deep faith, an avid fisher, and a devoted husband and father. We will always be grateful for the kindness and generosity that Ernie and his wife Leslie showed us over the years."

"Tammy and I are sending our deepest condolences and prayers to Leslie, their two sons, Ernest Jr. and Ethan, and to every member of the Coursey family."

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