

# Governor Christie: I Keep My Word, I Stand With My Friends As You Stood With Me

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### Transcript:

**Governor Christie:** Being governor of New Jersey is a sharp-elbow job. And we play politics hard in this state, because the stakes are big. And sometimes when things are going great, you have more friends than you know what to do with. You have friends who don't even understand the meaning of the word, friend, but you've got them all coming at you. And then there are other times where you're more challenged, when you're doing things that are unpopular, that anger some people but you know in your heart is the right thing. The ones that my wife and my children and I remember are the people that are our friends then. And let me tell you something about why I would always consider myself an honorary member of LIUNA. Because whenever things got tough, the men and women in this room and others that you represent stood with me because you knew I would keep my word to you. And it's friends like you that have made the last seven years the greatest seven years of my life and will make this last year as governor a great year, as well. Theirs is nothing that I could think of, because Ray's been talking to me about doing this for a while, and I wanted to do it at the beginning of my last year. I wanted to start off my last year with the people who have stood with me the strongest and the most. So that you give me the wind behind my back to finish off this last year strong, to do the things that I need to do, to help your families to help make our state a better place. Here's the one thing that you will always know about me: I keep my word, and I stand with my friends. You stood with me, I'll always stand with you. I love the labor unions, I love the fact that you stood with me, and I love today. Thank you so much. Thank you all very, very much.

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