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### Transcript:

Governor Christie: We're going to continue to work very hard. There's no substitute for that. None of this is easy, if it were easy it would've been solved a long time ago. It's hard. You heard Michelle's words. That's hard work, to do all the things that she's done with her life both the failures, and the success she's enjoying now. All of that was a product of hard work. She worked hard during those failures too. Every one of those attempts, in my mind, helped to build the foundation that she now stands upon. So that every place that she went of those thirteen places contributed something to her understanding of herself, her understanding of her addiction and her understanding of the things that she needed to do to help to restore her life. The great thing is, the one piece of her that we didn't give her was her absolute spirit to live. That's a gift from God. The appreciation of life and the spirit within each and every one of us to want to continue to live. And I'm sure there were many times that it would've been much easier, much less hard work, for her to give up, and she didn't. How can't you be excited about that? How can't you be motivated by that? By someone who could've given up, and there are thousands of people like her who she gave voice to today, who've refused to give up and instead chose life.

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