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Statement from Governor Chris Christie on Senator Diane Allen

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Trenton, NJ - Governor Chris Christie stated the following in response to Senator Diane Allen's retirement announcement:

"Senator Diane Allen is one of the most courageous women and most devoted public servants I have ever known. She is a role model for my daughters and should be for any woman seeking to make a positive impact in this world. Diane worked tirelessly to achieve hall-of-fame status as an anchor and reporter in the male-dominated television industry from the 1970s to early 1990s and did not stop there. In her decades of public life, she helped women break barriers with her leadership and advocacy for equality, as a school board member, Assemblywoman and Senator. As Chairwoman of the National Foundation for Women Legislators, she has done New Jersey proud, humbly enriching elected officials and leaders across this country. Her leadership, grace and caring for people are unparalleled, and her shoes will be impossible to fill. We are sad to see her leave, but upon Diane's well-earned retirement, Mary Pat and I wish her good health and a wonderful future with her family."

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