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Acting Governor Guadagno Welcomes National Federation of Independent Business to Trenton

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National Small Business Week Highlights Crucial Impact of Small Businesses

Trenton, NJ – Celebrating National Small Business Week, Acting Governor Kim Guadagno today addressed the members of the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB) at the State House for Small Business Day. According to the Census Bureau's Statistics of U.S. Businesses, New Jersey's small firms make up more than 98% of all employers in the state and employ half of the state's private workforce.

"Every day you in this room and millions like you work to grow your businesses and create 21st century jobs," said Acting Governor Guadagno. "And I can promise you that, every day that I am in office, I will work to make your life easier, to make New Jersey a more welcoming home for residents and businesses of all sizes, and to get government out of your way."

Since 1963, National Small Business Week has recognized the critical contributions of America's entrepreneurs and small business owners. According to the U.S. Small Business Administration, more than half of Americans either own or work for a small business, and they create about two out of every three new jobs in the nation each year.

"We were truly honored to have the Acting Governor participate in NFIB's small business day event this morning," said Laurie Ehlbeck, NFIB New Jersey State Director. "The Acting Governor understands their struggles and, through the Business Action Center, has done everything in her power to advocate for small businesses in the state and reduce unnecessary regulations wherever possible. Taking the time to speak to our members this morning is further indication that small businesses in the state are lucky to have her leading the charge for our entrepreneurs."

Founded in 1943, NFIB is the leading small business association representing small and independent businesses in Washington and all 50 state capitals. NFIB promotes and protects the rights of its members to own, operate and grow their businesses.

Businesses considering a move or in need of assistance are encouraged to call New Jersey's Business Action Center at (866) 534-7789 or visit the State's Business Portal at www.newjerseybusiness.gov.

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