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Transcript:

Governor Christie: For those of you who spend a lot time here as I do, you know that the most frequent visitors that we have here are fourth grade students across New Jersey. New Jersey's curriculum requires that Social Studies in the fourth grade is about learning about the state of New Jersey, about its government, its culture, its history. And so almost every day you see some fourth grade class or multiple fourth grade classes coming into this building as part of their tour and going to the governor's residence at Drumthwacket. Mary Pat and I have always been very concerned about kids learning about the history of this place and that's why she raised an enormous amount of private money to set up at Drumthwacket now, a curriculum and a tour that's gear towards those kids that come there. None of that existed before we got here and she was able to get that done with all private money and I'm proud of her for having done that and I can tell you that the students who go to Drumthwacket now get an extraordinary experience much different than they got when we arrived here nearly seven years ago. I want the fourth graders who come to the State House who are even larger number than the ones who come to Drumthwacket to have that same kind of experience so part of what this renovation will do is also set up exhibit and museum space in this space so that these fourth graders can have the type of educational experience and other visitors who come, adults, out-of-staters, who come to learn about New Jersey, learn about it in way that's modern and interactive and reflective of the really proud, proud history we have in this state.

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