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## Gov. Christie: We're Here To Honor What You're Doing And What You Represent

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### Transcript:

**Governor Christie:** What you're doing here tonight is so representative of what New Jersey is really all about. Now, 8.9 million people stuffed into this small space, we can't avoid each other even if we want to and since that's the case that we're going to be bumping into each other every day we should be doing something good for each other. With 8.9 million people as diverse as the people of this state are people's experiences are not only going to be different but they're going to cycle, too. We're going to have people who at times are challenged, at times who face and confront problems in their lives that they may not be able to handle on their own and it's New Jersey neighbors, friends, who they can turn to and you all are representative of that tonight. The ability for people in a very small space to be able to make a very big difference in the lives of people that sometimes they know but often they don't but they spend their time because in their heart they believe that it's a pure good and so I'm looking forward to listening to each and every person be called tonight and to be honored. I know this isn't the reason that you've engaged in this activity, you didn't start to say, hey I'm looking to get a Jefferson award how can I do it? And we know that being recognized tonight is not what's going to motivate you tomorrow to continue your work and expand and grow it but we hope that for the short period of time that we're together tonight that all of you can understand that we genuinely thank you for the service that you provide to your fellow citizens. And that for me and for Mary Pat as we end our eight years as the leaders of this state, we wanted to let you know that through our actions we've tried to make sure that you see that we honor the

volunteerism that goes on throughout this state each and every day, but by appearing here tonight I hope that you understand that we honor you and what you're doing as well, and what you represent.

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