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Trenton, NJ - Today, the Governor's Office announced the support of 42 mayors from Hunterdon, Morris, Somerset, Sussex, and Warren counties for Governor Chris Christie's Cap 2.5 constitutional amendment and Reform Agenda to bring real property tax relief to New Jersey families. Mayors are on the frontline of the property tax crisis, forced to deal with ballooning expenses, unfunded mandates, and cost-drivers which in many cases they have little control over.

"I am proud to support Governor Christie and his bold reforms to bring real property tax relief to families across the state. The Governor is finally addressing the real, underlying causes of New Jersey's highest-in-the-nation property taxes by giving mayors and school boards the tools to control costs and the flexibility to live within a real cap on property taxes," said Bound Brook Mayor Carey Pilato. "Mayors across New Jersey should continue standing up in support of Governor Christie's Cap 2.5 Reform Agenda to comprehensively address our State's property tax crisis."

Today's announcement follows the release of 39 mayors from Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Passaic and Union counties for the Governor's Reform Agenda, bringing the running total of mayors from around the state supporting the Governor's reform for real property tax relief to 81, and growing.

Last week, the Governor outlined a sweeping 33-bill reform package to solve New Jersey's property tax crisis and control spending at every level of government. The centerpiece of the plan is Cap 2.5, a constitutional amendment creating a 2.5 percent cap on property tax increases.

Property taxes have grown an astonishing 70% over the last ten years, resulting in an average annual property tax bill of \$7,281 on New Jersey families - the highest rate in the nation. Cap 2.5 will halt the astonishing growth in property taxes while the Christie Reform Agenda will give towns and school boards the tools needed to control spending to make Cap 2.5 both realistic and achievable.

Mayors From Morris, Somerset, Sussex & Warren Counties That Have Endorsed Cap 2.5 & Governor Christie's Reform Agenda:

Morris County

Mayor Cyril Wekilsky, Boonton Town
Mayor Nelson Vaughan, Chatham Borough
Mayor Dennis Verbaro, Chester Borough
Mayor Philip "Ted" Hussa, Denville
Mayor John Sheridan, Hanover Township
Mayor Russell Felter, Jefferson
Mayor David Runfeldt, Lincoln Park
Mayor Mary-Anna Holden, Madison
Mayor Neil Henry, Mendham Boro
Mayor Richard Krieg, Mendham Township
Mayor James Sandham, Montville
Mayor H. Scott Rosenbush, Morris Township
Mayor David Scapicchio, Mt. Olive
Mayor Jay Alpert, Randolph
Mayor Louis Sceusi, Rockaway Township
Mayor Jim Rilee, Roxbury
Mayor Kenneth Short, Washington Township

Somerset County

Mayor Scott Spitzer, Bernards Township
Mayor Carey Pilato, Bound Brook
Mayor Brian Levine, Franklin
Mayor Mark Caliguire, Montgomery
Mayor Edward Zimmerman, Rocky Hill
Mayor Brian Gallagher, Somerville
Mayor Victor Sordillo, Warren

Sussex County

Mayor John Morgan, Andover Borough

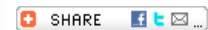
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Mayor Dan Conkling, Green Township
Mayor Kenneth Kievit, Hardyston
Mayor Joe Barbagallo, Montague
Mayor George Harper, Sandyston
Mayor Scott Seelagy, Sparta
Mayor Christian Parrott, Sussex Borough
Mayor Clara Nuss, Wantage

Warren County

Mayor James Cote, Allamuchy
Mayor Richard Mach, Blairstown
Mayor Michael Lavery, Hackettstown
Mayor Tim McDonough, Hope
Mayor Doug Steinhardt, Lopatcong
Mayor Ted Tomaszewski, Mansfield Township
Mayor Harry Wyant, Phillipsburg
Mayor Samir Elbassiouny, Washington Township

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