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My name is Hank Schroeder. It is my honor and privilege to be able to write to you and your family. There are many challenges facing our great state. The economic decline in the past years has burdened Our families and communities to a breaking point that has not been seen since the great depression.

The structure of home life is threatened by part time jobs, low wages and no benefits. The foundation of families and communities are crumbling fast. We see a lost generation of 23 to 50 year olds all moving home with their parents or grandparents unable to find full time employment and basic benefits. These families find it difficult to find money for necessities such as food, medications and simple Doctor's visits once they pay their bills. This affects all from the youngest to our seniors.

Very likely with these part time jobs, time off for family emergencies or medical needs will result in termination of employment. Living with constant fear of losing your only means to put food on the table and keep a roof over your head is very destructive to our families and communities throughout this great state. That is why my focus is and shall remain on one thing and one thing only, ECONOMIC GROWTH AND JOBS. Only thru Economic Growth will New Jersey families and communities be saved.

The wealthy need to be able to take risks with investments to hire the unemployed people of New Jersey. Allowing the middle class to prosper and spend to make those investments worthwhile. Offering the lowest income population the confidence that their hard work ethics will lead them To a living wage, allowing future generations to become part of the middle class. The greatest Gift we can give our children is a strong work ethic.

We need to rise above the pessimism that surrounds us. I feel a great civic value in the need to Make known the severity of our economic situation. There is nothing we cannot do. The resources Of New Jersey are great. We need a meaningful work and family time balance. We must strive Towards a living wage to pay the bills with income left for tomorrow. This shall be done with lower Taxes and eliminating restrictions on small mom and pop businesses. Far reaching incentives to bring trillions of dollars home to New Jersey, which U.S. corporations now have overseas. They want to come home to New Jersey!

The voters of New Jersey are hungry for a political statement so the can will stop being kicked down the road. I ask you and thank you in advance for your vote.