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The Honorable Phil Murphy  
Office of the Governor, State of New Jersey  
125 West State Street  
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Dear Governor Murphy,

I am writing to encourage you to sign into law the recently passed legislation that would protect the decades-old income tax reciprocity agreement between our states.

As I am sure you recall, Governor Chris Christie announced his intention to repeal this agreement in 2016. The results of that announcement were immediate and significant.

Taxpayers from both states roundly criticized the proposal because of the disastrous economic effects it would have on them; legislative steps were begun in the Pennsylvania legislature to better protect our residents in case such a decision were enacted; numerous businesses located in New Jersey but run by Pennsylvanians began preparations to move back to our state; and, the Governor, was beseeched by news outlets across the spectrum to abandon his idea for the negative impact such an action would have.

Thankfully, Governor Christie reevaluated his decision and chose to keep the income tax reciprocity agreement in place. That was the correct thing to do then and enacting this law today would be just as proper.

Enacting this new law would send a strong signal to each state's taxpayers that they will not be used as political pawns in future budget negotiations and would strengthen the strong relationship and long history of cooperative action on issues of shared interests that our states enjoy.

On behalf of the approximately 46,000 Bucks County residents who would be adversely impacted if the reciprocity agreement were ever repealed, I thank you in advance for your consideration. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Marguerite C. Quinn".

Marguerite C. Quinn  
State Representative  
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CC: The Honorable Steve Sweeney, Senate President  
The Honorable Tom Kean, JR, Senate Minority Leader  
The Honorable Craig Coughlin, Assembly Speaker  
The Honorable Jon Bramnick, Assembly Minority Leader