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Dear Governor Murphy,

The New Jersey Business Coalition appreciates the efforts of the New Jersey Department of the Treasury and the Division of Taxation to provide various forms of relief to taxpayers affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

As you may know, once the American Rescue Plan is signed, the IRS is expected to extend the April 15 tax filing deadline. It is critically important that New Jersey conform to that new deadline — and do so as quickly as possible. Last year's New Jersey extension wasn't finalized until April 13. Such a late decision, so close to April 15, caused chaos for New Jersey taxpayers and tax preparers.

We recognize the difficulties a postponement of the filing and payment deadlines could create; however, COVID-19 and other circumstances necessitate action to ensure that the millions of affected taxpayers have sufficient time to meet their tax obligations. If New Jersey does not conform to an IRS postponed filing deadline, it will, in effect, negate the benefits of the federal deadline extension.

Therefore, we urge that if the IRS extends the April 15 tax filing and payment deadline, any New Jersey returns/payments that are due between April 15 and the IRS's extended date be extended to that date. We are cognizant that it may be difficult to extend deadlines beyond June due to the impact on the state's budget cycle. Therefore, if the IRS decides to go with a date beyond June 30, New Jersey should provide an extension of as late in June as possible.

We stand willing to make our tax experts available to help in the drafting of any legislation.

If you have any questions, please contact NJBIA Vice President Chris Emigholz at CEmigholz@njbia.org.

Sincerely,

African American Chamber of Commerce of New Jersey, Inc.
American Camp Association NY/NJ
American Institute of Architects
New Jersey Camps Government Affairs Project
American Council of Engineering Companies of New Jersey
American Physical Therapy Association of New Jersey
Bernards Township Regional Chamber of Commerce
Big I New Jersey
BioNJ
Burlington County Regional Chamber of Commerce
Bus Association of New Jersey (BANJ)

Cape May County Chamber of Commerce
Capital Region Minority Chamber of Commerce
Chamber of Commerce of Greater Philadelphia
Chamber of Commerce Southern New Jersey
Chemistry Council of New Jersey
Commerce and Industry Association of New Jersey
CrossState Credit Union Association
Downtown New Jersey
Early Childhood Education Advocates
Eastern Monmouth Area Chamber of Commerce
Employers Association of NJ
Fuel Merchants Associates of NJ
Garden State Pharmacy Owners, Inc
Gloucester County Chamber of Commerce
Greater Atlantic City Chamber of Commerce
Greater NJ Motorcoach Association
Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce
Greater Toms River Chamber of Commerce
Greater Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce
Health Care Association of NJ
Healthcare Institute of NJ
Hoboken Chamber of Commerce
Home Care & Hospice Association of New Jersey
Home Health Services Association of New Jersey
Hudson County Chamber of Commerce
Hunterdon County Chamber of Commerce
Insurance Council of New Jersey
Jersey Shore Partnership
Mahwah Regional Chamber of Commerce
Marine Trades Association of New Jersey
Middlesex County Regional Chamber of Commerce
Meadowlands Chamber
Monmouth Ocean Development Council
Morris County Chamber of Commerce
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National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB)
Newark Regional Business Partnership
New Jersey Apartment Association
New Jersey Asphalt Pavement Association
New Jersey Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons
New Jersey Association of Mental Health & Addiction Agencies

New Jersey Builders Association
New Jersey Business & Industry Association
New Jersey Campground Owners and Outdoor Lodging Association
New Jersey Chamber of Commerce
New Jersey Civil Justice Institute
New Jersey Coalition of Automotive Retailers
New Jersey Concrete and Aggregate Association
New Jersey Council of County Colleges
New Jersey Dental Association
New Jersey Food Council
New Jersey Gasoline-Convenience-Automotive Association
New Jersey Hotel and Lodging Industry Association
New Jersey Independent Electrical Contractors Association
New Jersey Liquor Store Alliance
New Jersey Manufacturing Extension Program, Inc.
New Jersey Motor Truck Association
New Jersey Pharmacists Association
New Jersey Podiatric Medical Society
New Jersey Realtors
New Jersey Restaurant & Hospitality Association
New Jersey Retail Merchants Association
New Jersey Salon and Spa Coalition
New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants
NJ Small Business Coalition
NJ Society of Optometric Physicians (NJSOP)
New Jersey State Chamber of Commerce
New Jersey State Funeral Directors Association
New Jersey State Veterans Chamber of Commerce
New Jersey Tourism Industry Association
New Jersey Utilities Association
New Jersey YMCA State Alliance
New Jersey Warehousemen & Movers Association
North Jersey Jewish Business Alliance
Ocean City Chamber of Commerce
Phillipsburg Chamber of Commerce
Princeton Mercer Regional Chamber of Commerce
Professional Insurance Agents of New Jersey (PIANJ)
Recreational Fishing Alliance
Salem County Chamber of Commerce
Somerset County Business Partnership
Southern NJ Development Council

Southern Ocean County Chamber of Commerce
Statewide Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of NJ
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TechUnited:NJ
The American Planning Association - NJ Chapter
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Washington Borough BID

cc: Members of the New Jersey Legislature