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Today, New Jersey is #1 in all the WRONG things.

- *Highest property taxes in the nation
- *Worst business climate in the country
- *More people moving out than any other state

In fact, the average New Jersey resident pays nearly \$1 million in taxes over the course of their lifetime. No other state is even close.

Governor Murphy's response to this mess was to arrogantly tell people that: "If tax rate is your issue...we're probably not your state."

Not your state? Who says that?!

I will tell you who - an out-of-touch Wall Street banker from Goldman Sachs who doesn't get it and is too rich to care.

Unlike Phil Murphy, I was born and raised in New Jersey. Went to school here; earned my undergraduate degree and MBA from Seton Hall University; became a CPA; and built two successful Main Street businesses. Best of all, my wife Melinda and I raised our four children here, spending our summers down the Jersey Shore.

Now, I'm running to be your Governor with a plan to make New Jersey more affordable so that young people can get started here and retirees can afford to stay. My plan will make New Jersey attractive to business and entrepreneurs again, helping to create jobs and make us economically competitive with our neighbors. Last, but not least, I will proudly defend - NOT defund - our police while always standing with our brave men and women in law enforcement who put their lives on the line each day to keep us safe.

When you cast your vote this year, ask yourself one question: Are you better off after four years of Phil Murphy's extreme policies?

New Jersey, we can do better. When I'm Governor, we will.

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