

# CONGRATULATIONS

*A personal note from New Jersey's First Lady*



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Dear Attendees of the Celebration of Literacy and Self-Sufficiency Graduation Ceremony,

Thank you for the kind invitation to the 2015 Celebration of Literacy and Self-Sufficiency. While I am unable to join you tonight, I wanted to recognize the honorees for their incredible achievements. These graduates have succeeded in bettering themselves and their families through education over the past twelve months, often despite insurmountable obstacles. From earning a GED to learning to read, your commitment to self-sufficiency is truly inspirational. I admire your perseverance over the past year and know that the skills you have acquired through these wonderful programs will serve you well in the future.

To the staff and volunteers of Project Self-Sufficiency, your dedication to service is greatly appreciated. Through each family you assist you better New Jersey as a whole, and for that I am grateful.

The Governor joins me in congratulating today's honorees. We expect great things from you and wish you success and happiness in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mary Pat Christie".

Mary Pat Christie  
First Lady