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The Honorable Phil Murphy  
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Dear Governor Murphy,

As you are aware, a large portion of the population we serve as representatives of the 10<sup>th</sup> Legislative District are senior citizens who live in 55 and older adult communities. It has been brought to our attention by members of these communities that access to vaccination locations is more difficult because of limited testing sites in our area and in certain circumstances, the inability to drive. We are respectfully requesting that your Administration establish additional vaccination location sites throughout Ocean County with priority going to adult communities.

Currently, Ocean County residents are limited to six vaccination sites in the area compared to Essex County which offers twelve locations and Atlantic County's nine locations. Most recently, your Administration expanded the criteria for vaccinations, allowing almost anyone with a chronic condition including adult smokers the ability to get vaccinated.

Now the door is open for a large portion of the population to get vaccinated, making it more competitive than ever to schedule an appointment. With limited access for our senior residents and competitive appointment schedules, it may be a month or two before some of our most vulnerable residents receive their first dose.

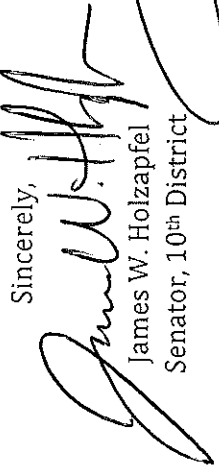
In addition, many calls coming to our Legislative Office are from senior residents who report their inability to drive to various location because of their physical limitation which prevent them from leaving their homes.

Our delegation is requesting your assistance in providing adult communities the ability to vaccinate on site. In coordination with County Health Officials, residents could receive their vaccine either at a community clubhouse or another location within the development. This would alleviate the burden on residents to request assistance from family and friends to visiting a crowded vaccination site, putting them more at risk for contracting the virus.

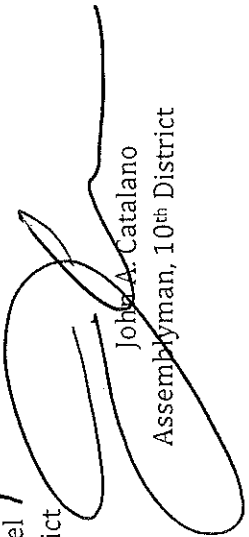
The willingness of our people to get vaccinated is apparent and we must act now in order to stay ahead of this pandemic and continue to protect our senior population. Again, we respectfully request your assistance on this matter and look forward to working with your office. Please contact our District Office at 732-840-9028 for any further questions or comments.



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Sincerely,  


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