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We, the undersigned progressive groups from across the state of New Jersey, are deeply disappointed and outraged by new Federal evidence of bribery, betrayal, and corrupt behavior by Senator Robert Menendez.

We call for the Senator's immediate resignation and appointment of a replacement by Governor Murphy.

We affirm every individual's constitutional right to the presumption of innocence and due legal process. However, the breadth and seriousness of current allegations and evidence collected against Senator Menendez - barely 6 years after being tried for similar charges - render him ineffective as a reputable representative and public servant. His position and behavior have resulted in an irreparable loss of confidence and faith in his ability to serve constituents, our State, the Senate, and the nation.

This erosion of public trust in government cannot stand.

Democratic Party leadership must demand personal accountability from its members and representatives. This is the time to take strong action against unethical behaviors, and uphold, by word and deed, our State's and nation's best interests through high standards of office.

Therefore, we call upon Democrats, from Washington, DC to NJ state and municipal governments, to act on these tenets and urge the Senator's resignation.

We must move on to the business of governing and the coming elections with a clean slate.

We strongly encourage Democrats to take a strong stand and make clear that they are the party of ethics and accountability and will conduct the people's business with credibility, transparency, and honesty. Senator Menendez must resign.

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