



Craig J. Coughlin
Speaker
New Jersey General Assembly
State House
125 W State St
Trenton, NJ 08608

Dear Speaker Coughlin,

Please confirm your attendance at an important public forum on school segregation in New Jersey on Thursday, November 21 from 6:30 to 8:00 PM at the Mount Zion Baptist Church in Pleasantville, NJ.

As you know New Jersey's schools are some of the most intensely segregated in the nation by both race and class.

We believe there is meaningful action that can be taken by policy makers to greatly reduce segregation while bolstering our many diverse yet struggling middle class communities and school districts across the state.

We will be presenting data and analysis as well as policy proposals with experts, advocates, and constituency leaders from civil rights labor, education, the faith community, and local elected leadership.

Your presence and participation at this gathering will be important and meaningful. The meeting will be held in the WinSan Community Center at Mount Zion Baptist Church, 53 S New Rd, Pleasantville, NJ 08232. It will begin at 6:30 and end at 8:00 PM.

We will follow up to confirm your attendance and to brief you on the program. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Freeholder Ashley Bennett

Rev. Willie Francois

Meeting Co-chairs