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Speaker listing in order of appearance (**highlighted names indicate testimony submitted**):

1. [Dr. Anne M. Prisco, Ph.D.](#), President, Felician University
2. [Dinelia Garland](#), Director of the Educational Opportunity Fund Scholars Program, Felician University
3. Jim Tedesco, County Executive, Bergen County, Tracy S. Zur, Freeholder, Bergen County
4. [Honorable James McGreevey](#), and [Shae Cali](#), LSW/MSW, MPH, Clinical Director, Omari Atiba, Edwin Ortiz, and Helena Muhammad, Advocates, New Jersey Reentry Corporation
5. Andre Gray, Councilman, City of Paterson
6. [Dr. William G. Weiss](#), Executive Director, North Jersey Elks Developmental Disabilities Agency and [Teresa Moran](#), Student and [Antony Baez](#), Student
7. [James J. Albro](#), Superintendent of Schools, Wallington Public Schools
8. [Chrissy Buteas](#), President and Chief Executive Officer, Home Care and Hospice Association of New Jersey and [Christina Cerza](#), Advocate
9. [Liza M. Kirschenbaum, Esq.](#), Associate Director, Court Appointed Special Advocates of New Jersey, Inc., Louisa Tambone, Advocate
10. [Phillip Lubitz](#), Associate Director, NAMI New Jersey, National Alliance on Mental Illness
11. [Rosie Grant](#), Executive Director, Paterson Education Fund
12. [Dr. George V. Corwell, Ed.D.](#), , Director, Office of Education, New Jersey Catholic Conference and [Mary McElroy, Esq.](#), Director, New Jersey Network of Catholic School Families/Government Programs, Archdiocese of Newark
13. Kevin Brown, Director, 32BJ SEIU, Zakiyy Medina, Advocate
14. [Leonard Nicolosi](#), President and Chief Executive Officer, North Jersey Friendship House and [Tyrone Simpson](#), North Jersey Friendship House Member
15. [Cynthia Rice](#), Senior Policy Analyst, Advocates for Children of New Jersey
16. [Dr. Lorraine Cooke](#), Executive Director, Egenolf Early Childhood Center
17. [Valerie Freeman](#), Advocate, Paterson Public Schools
18. [Janna Chernetz](#), Director, New Jersey Policy, Tri-State Transportation Corporation
19. [Seth Shaffer](#), Advocate, Ashley Ritchey, Advocate, New Jersey Statewide Self-Advocacy Network
20. [Helen LeFrois](#), Vice President of Development, Jersey Battered Women's Service
21. Honorable Tim Eustace, New Jersey State Assembly, and Bob White
22. Dr. Chris Irving, President, Paterson School Board and [Robert Scott](#), President, Paterson PTO Leadership Group
23. Catherine Mackin, Citizen

24. [Diane Riley](#), Executive Director, The Supportive Housing Association of New Jersey
25. Patrick Peace, Government Program Coordinator, Catholic Schools Office – Diocese of Paterson
26. [Janice C. Lilien](#), Executive Director, YWCA Union County
27. [Ralph Mastrangelo, Jr.](#), Parent
28. [Michelle Roers](#), Director of Education, United Way of Northern New Jersey
29. [Alexis Delgado](#), President, Educational Opportunity Fund Professional Association of New Jersey and EOF Associate Director, Opportunity Scholarship Program, New Jersey City University
30. David Hughes, Professor, Rutgers University
31. [Margot Walsh](#), Executive Director, Jersey Shore Partnership, Inc., Red Bank
32. [Alexis Larkin](#), Citizen
33. [Megann Anderson Fischer](#), Executive Director, New Jersey Alliance for Children, Youth and Families
34. [Cindy Bartman](#), President, Association for Hunterdon Developmental Center, Inc.
35. [Judy Banes](#), Advocate
36. [Ronald Rosensweig, Esq.](#), Member, Board of Trustees, and [Lori Fein](#), Director, Jewish Federation of Northern New Jersey, Jewish Community Relations Committee
37. [John Galandak](#), President Emeritus, Commerce and Industry Association of New Jersey
38. [James Harris](#), President, New Jersey Association of Black Educators
39. [Robert L. Parker](#), Chief Executive Officer, New Bridge Services, Inc.
40. [Svetlana Repic-Qira](#), Regional Vice President, Community Options, Inc. and [Laura Voorhees](#), Parent
41. James Cooney, Chief Executive Officer, OceanMHS
42. [Peter Scerbo](#), Executive Director, Comprehensive Behavioral Healthcare, Inc., Bergen County
43. [Hunter Clark](#), Student and NJ YES Ambassador, Learning Ally
44. [Barbara Martinez](#), Chief External Officer of Uncommon Schools and [John Cosme](#), Student, Felician University
45. [Osomo Thomas](#), New Jersey Education Association
46. [Richard Hlavacek](#), Executive Director, Families and Community Together
47. [Dr. Daniel Jean](#), Executive Director, Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) and Academic Development, Montclair State University, [Haja Dukureh](#), Student, Montclair State University
48. [Gary Rubin](#), Member, Community Access Unlimited
49. [Adele LaTourette](#), Director, New Jersey Anti-Hunger Coalition
50. Dianna Houenou, Policy Counsel, American Civil Liberty Union of New Jersey (ACLU)
51. Miriam Ascarelli, Vector, New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT) Newspaper
52. [Dr. Darsi D. Beauchamp, Ph.D.](#), Applied Labor Employment Studies Institute (ALESI)
53. [Stephan Lally](#) and [Jamie Velazquez](#), Student Government Association, Ramapo College of New Jersey
54. [Karlito A. Almeda](#), Student, Ramapo College of New Jersey
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56. [Crystal Wortham](#), Citizen
57. [Julia Borst](#), Advocate and Organizer/Member of Save Our Schools, New Jersey
58. Jane Primerano, Regional Director, Society of Professional Journalists
59. [Lori Konya](#), Big Brothers Big Sisters

60. [Sabreena Sheermohamed](#), Student, Felician University
61. [Louis DiPaulo](#), Legislative Coordinator, New Jersey Working Families Alliance
62. Kathleen Wigfield, Citizen
63. Mark Kuiper, Assistant Program Director, YTTW Programs, District 1199J Training and Development Fund, John Branco, and Aurora Moran, Students
64. Jennifer Santana, Advocate, Coalition of Infant and Toddlers Education
65. [Peter Lindsay](#), New Jersey Historic Trust
66. [Kimberly Higgs](#), New Jersey Psychiatric Rehabilitation Association
67. [Rick Short](#), Parent, Cherry Hill School District