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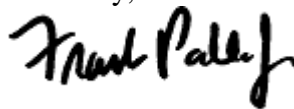
Dear Friends:

It is with great pleasure that I write in celebration of the New Jersey Digital Newspaper Project and the launch of *The Perth Amboy Evening News* on the “Chronicling America” Library of Congress website. I would like to thank you for the invitation to attend today’s reception and regret that I am unable to join you as I am in Washington, DC because the House is in session.

I would like to commend the New Jersey State Library, Rutgers University Libraries and the New Jersey State Archives for undertaking this important project. Here in New Jersey we have a rich history and innumerable contributions in science, innovation, politics and the humanities. The digitization of these newspapers will provide user-friendly access of these historical records to all individuals across the globe. I am proud that *The Perth Amboy Evening News* is the first New Jersey newspaper available through this invaluable project.

Once again, please accept my sincere appreciation to the New Jersey State Library, Rutgers University Libraries and the New Jersey State Archives for their efforts to bring New Jersey’s history to the world’s fingertips. I look forward to exploring *The Perth Amboy Evening News* on the “Chronicling America” website and to hearing of the project’s progress.

Sincerely,



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