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Governor Kathy Hochul,

We owe it to the voters of New York to have multiple TV debates across the state. It's not too late for you to finally agree to provide New Yorkers the multiple debates they deserve. Absentee ballots started going out September 23, 2022, and these debates should've started already so New Yorkers can make the most informed decision about the future of our state.

Instead, you have employed one delay tactic after the next. It's clear you are afraid to defend your positions and your record, but New Yorkers deserve better. New Yorkers deserve three gubernatorial debates, if you aren't willing to agree to even more than that.

It is my understanding you are desperately trying to get away with just one debate with Spectrum News the evening of Tuesday, October 25th. One debate may be the rock bottom standard you sadly aspire to, but it is not enough. It's time for you to face the music, Kathy. No one has even elected you Governor and you are acting as an Emperor Governor running for a 16th term with tremendous contempt for New Yorkers.

If you agree to also do one of the outstanding debate requests on a New York City broadcast station, as well as a broadcast debate in one of the state's other media markets such as Buffalo, that would be a different story for you to hit the bare minimum at this point.

It's my belief that as many New Yorkers as possible deserve the opportunity to watch their candidates for Governor debate live on their own TVs and that the concerns of New Yorkers across the state deserve to be heard. If you feel the same, I have no doubt you will make that clear by accepting these two additional debates.

I look forward to hearing from you,

Congressman Lee Zeldin