

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

July 09, 2013

The Honorable Barack Obama  
President  
United States of America  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Obama:

We write asking that you approve Governor Nixon's request for a major disaster declaration for the State of Missouri as result of severe storms, tornados, straight-line winds and flooding during the period of May 29, 2013 to June 10, 2013, which followed severe weather events in April of this year.

Following several weeks of Preliminary Damage Assessments (PDAs) performed by the state and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in accordance with the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Management (Stafford) Act, it has been determined that damages due to recent storms exceed the state's emergency response capabilities.

Specifically, PDA found \$15.2 million in public response and infrastructure costs/damages, nearly 1,400 homes damaged and over 500 businesses damaged as a result of the storms. Additionally, the storms resulted in three reported deaths and numerous injuries across the state.

Governor Nixon, in a detailed letter to you dated July 3, 2013, has requested Individual Assistance for Callaway, Lincoln, Montgomery, Osage, Pike, St. Charles, and St. Louis counties, Public Assistance for Barton, Callaway, Cape Girardeau, Cedar, Chariton, Clark, Howard, Iron, Knox, Lewis, Lincoln, Maries, Marion, Miller, Montgomery, Osage, Perry, Pettis, Pike, Putnam, Ralls, Shelby, Stoddard, Sullivan, St. Charles, St. Louis, Ste. Genevieve, Texas, Vernon, and Webster Counties, and Hazard Mitigation for the entire state.

We, as Members of the Missouri Congressional Delegation, respectfully urge you to issue a major disaster declaration for our state, providing Missouri with the resources needed to recover from these damaging storms and mitigate future losses.

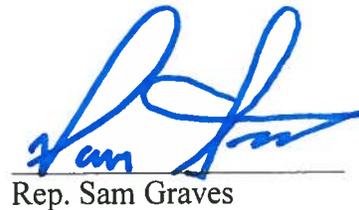
Sincerely,



Rep. Blaine Luetkemeyer



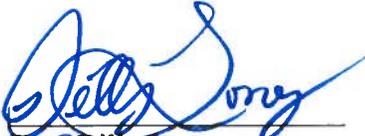
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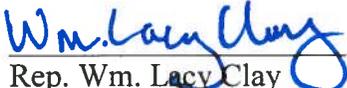
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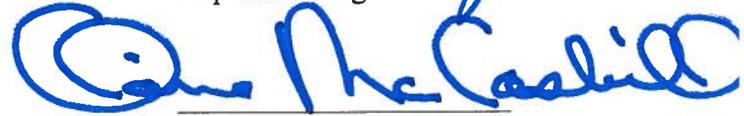
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