

United States Congress

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

April 5, 2021

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We write to urge expedient approval of Governor Bill Lee's request to declare a major disaster pursuant to the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief Act as a result of the severe winter weather, frigid temperatures, freezing rain, sleet, ice, and heavy snow that occurred from February 10-19, 2021.

At least 12 Tennesseans lost their lives because of the severe weather. Hazardous travel conditions, power outages, and damage to water infrastructure have been reported with the greatest impacts in West and Middle Tennessee. Governor Lee is specifically requesting Public Assistance for the following counties: Bedford, Cannon, Coffee, DeKalb, Fentress, Jackson, Moore, Overton, Pickett, Putnam, Scott, Shelby, and Smith. Governor Lee also requests the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program statewide.

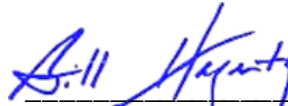
Governor Lee's request for Public Assistance and the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program pursuant to the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief Act is attached, and we urge you to approve Governor Lee's request on behalf of the State of Tennessee as soon as possible.

Our offices can provide you with any additional information you need.

Sincerely,



Marsha Blackburn
United States Senator



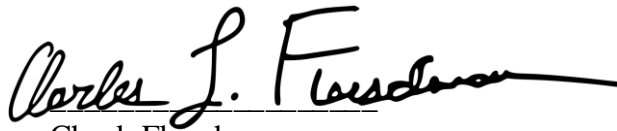
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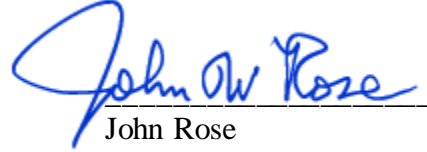
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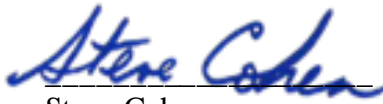
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