## United States Senate WASHINGTON, DC 20510-4305

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President Donald J. Trump The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, D.C. 20500

Mr. President:

Thank you for your leadership and rapid response in assisting state and local officials in Texas as they respond to the devastating flooding that occurred on the Fourth of July and through the holiday weekend. We understand that the State of Texas, through the Office of the Governor, has formally requested an emergency disaster declaration due to severe weather that has affected several counties in Central Texas. Governor Abbott has already declared a state disaster for Kerr, and the surrounding area. Public reports indicate the Guadalupe River rose 39 feet or more, surpassing the area's second biggest flood in modern times since 1987. At least 32 people have been reported dead. Major flooding has impacted homes and businesses and continues to pose a threat to the health and safety of Texans.

The Governor, Secretary Noem and local officials have determined that the severity and scale of the storm exceed the response capabilities of both state and local governments. The prolonged displacement caused by damaged homes, businesses, and essential infrastructure adds to the challenges faced by affected Texans.

We appreciate your attention to this matter and urge you to continue to provide all available resources from the federal government. We stand ready to work with FEMA and other relevant agencies to ensure a swift evaluation and deployment of the necessary resources for a complete recovery.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this issue.

Sincerely,

John Cornyn

**United States Senator** 

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**United States Senator**