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The Honorable Joseph R. Biden, Jr. President of the United States The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20500

**Re: Urgent Support Needed for Storm Recovery** 

Dear Mr. President,

I am writing to you on behalf of the citizens of Houston and the surrounding counties who have been severely affected by a recent storm. The devastation has been extensive, leaving many without power, businesses shuttered, and infrastructure in desperate need of repair. We deeply appreciate the ongoing efforts of your administration and FEMA in responding to this crisis, however there are several counties awaiting approval for federal assistance, and I urge you to expedite this process to ensure that aid reaches those in need as quickly as possible.

As of May 20th, FEMA has several pending requests for both Public Assistance and Individual Assistance across multiple counties in Texas. The details of the pending requests are as follows:

- The counties pending for Public Assistance approval are: Bosque, Concho, Coryell, Eastland, Falls, Freestone, Grimes, Hamilton, Hardin, Harris, Hill, Houston, Kaufman, Lampasas, Leon, Liberty, Limestone, Madison, McCulloch, Milam, Mills, Montgomery, Polk, San Jacinto, San Saba, Trinity, and Walker counties.
- The counties pending for Individual Assistance add on for Calhoun, Eastland, Guadalupe, Hardin, Jasper, Jones, Lamar, and Waller counties.

These requests are vital for the immediate recovery efforts in the affected communities. The timely approval of these requests will enable the allocation of necessary resources to restore essential services and other critical support to those impacted and begin the process of rebuilding.

Thank you for your attention to this critical matter and for your continued support of the people of Texas. Your prompt response to these requests will make a significant difference in the recovery efforts of our communities. Should you require additional information, please contact my Chief of Staff, Scott Bell, by email at <a href="Scott.Bell@mail.house.gov">Scott.Bell@mail.house.gov</a> or phone at (202) 225-7508.

Sincerely,

Al Green

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