

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20510

April 5, 2019

The Honorable Donald J. Trump
President of the United States
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500-0001

Dear President Trump:

We write to bring to your attention an April 3, 2019, letter from Governor Matt Bevin requesting a major disaster declaration for the Commonwealth of Kentucky. We respectfully urge you to give this request full and timely consideration.

From February 6 through March 10, 2019, the Commonwealth of Kentucky experienced severe weather that produced strong wind and torrential rain, which caused severe flooding, landslides, mudslides, and the tragic death of three (3) individuals. The impact of this weather system has seriously affected 57 counties in the Commonwealth, causing extensive damage exceeding the ability of the state government and localities to effectively respond.

As the Governor conveyed in his letter, the Commonwealth has well surpassed the \$6.5 million expenditure threshold required for consideration of federal disaster assistance in accordance with the provisions of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act.

We ask for your timely consideration of the Governor's disaster declaration request, which would aid Kentucky communities and families severely impacted by this most recent disaster.

Thank you in advance for your prompt action on this matter.

Sincerely,



Mitch McConnell
UNITED STATES SENATOR



Rand Paul
UNITED STATES SENATOR



Hal Rogers
MEMBER OF CONGRESS



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MEMBER OF CONGRESS



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