

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20510

August 30, 2022

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We write in support of Illinois Governor JB Pritzker's request for federal assistance for the State of Illinois to help St. Clair County to recover from severe flooding that occurred last month.

Governor Pritzker has indicated that this incident is of such severity and magnitude that effective response and recovery is beyond the combined capability of the state and local governments. As such, he requests Individual Assistance for St. Clair County to help the residents clean up and rebuild amid this large-scale flood damage.

On July 26, a historic storm in the area resulted in eight to 12 inches of rain in a mere 12 hours, causing the evacuation of more than 20 families, road closures, and widespread flood damage. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) worked with the Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) and the County to assess more than 700 homes reporting damage.

It is worth noting that these were the same storms that caused damage across the river in Missouri, following which you swiftly approved Missouri Governor Mike Parson's request for a Federal Disaster Declaration. We believe Illinois residents deserve equal consideration amid the same weather events to receive federal assistance toward recovery as well.

We respectfully request that you approve Governor Pritzker's request for Individual Assistance for St. Clair County. Thank you for your timely consideration of this important request. We stand ready to assist in any way appropriate.

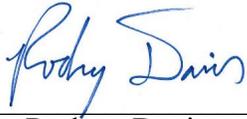
Sincerely,



Richard J. Durbin
United States Senator



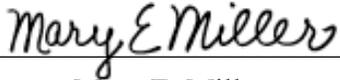
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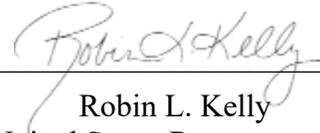
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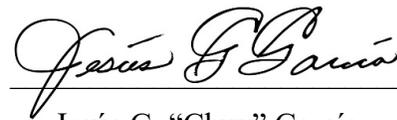
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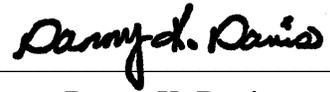
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