## United States Congress

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

May 4, 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 storms, tornadoes, winds, and flooding that occurred from March 25 through April 3, 2021.

In late March, severe storms in Tennessee brought high-speed winds, hail, tornadoes, and flooding that caused damage across the state. These storms devastated homes and businesses, caused widespread power outages and flooding, damaged roads, and created conditions for greater flood impacts. At least seven Tennesseans lost their lives. Governor Lee is specifically requesting Public Assistance for the following 23 counties: Campbell, Cannon, Cheatham, Claiborne, Clay, Davidson, Decatur, Fentress, Grainger, Hardeman, Henderson, Hickman, Jackson, Madison, Maury, McNairy, Moore, Overton, Scott, Smith, Wayne, Williamson, and Wilson. Governor Lee also requests Individual Assistance for Davidson, Williamson, and Wilson Counties and the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program statewide.

Governor Lee's request for Public Assistance, Individual 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,

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