

United States Congress

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

March 9, 2022

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

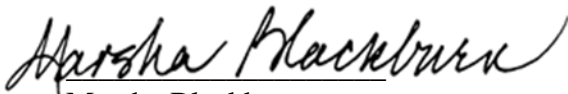
We write to urge expedient approval of Governor Bill Lee's request to declare a major disaster pursuant to the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief Act as a result of the severe winter weather, frigid temperatures, freezing rain, sleet, ice, and high winds that occurred from February 3-4, 2022.

The storm created hazardous travel conditions, blocked roads, and claimed the life of one Tennessean. Damage to utility infrastructure caused widespread power outages for thousands of residents across several counties. Some residents were without power for more than a week amid freezing temperatures. Governor Lee is specifically requesting Public Assistance for seven counties: Crockett, Fayette, Haywood, Lauderdale, Shelby, Tipton, and Weakley. Governor Lee also requests the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program statewide.


Governor Lee's request is attached, and on behalf of the State of Tennessee, we urge you to approve it as soon as possible.

Our offices can provide you with any additional information you need.

Sincerely,



Marsha Blackburn
United States Senator



Bill Hagerty
United States Senator



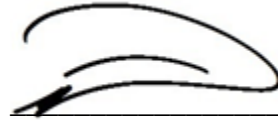
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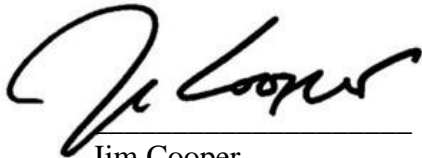
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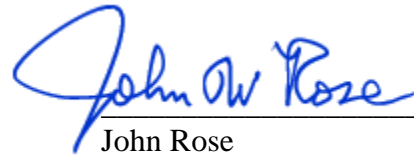
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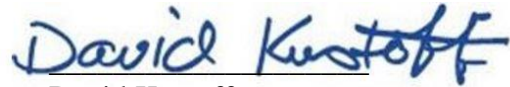
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