Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20510

May 2, 2024

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

Dear Mr. President:

We respectfully ask that you promptly grant the request made by Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds for a major disaster declaration for the State of Iowa as a result of severe storms, including twenty-four tornadoes impacting Iowa, on April 26, 2024. A significant emergency response was needed as a result of these severe storms, which caused significant damage to infrastructure and private property.

Governor Reynolds has requested Hazard Mitigation statewide and activation of the Individual Assistance Program and the Small Business Administration Disaster Loan Program. Individual Assistance was requested for the following nine counties: Clarke, Crawford, Harrison, Mills, Polk, Pottawattamie, Ringgold, Shelby, and Union.

The Governor has determined that this incident is of such severity and magnitude that supplementary federal assistance is necessary.

Thank you for your prompt consideration of this important request.

Sincerely,

Charles E. Grassley

United States Senator

Joni K. Ernst

United States Senator

Mariannette Miller-Meeks, M.D.

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