

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

September 10, 2018

The Honorable Donald J. Trump  
President of the United States  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W.  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President,

As Members of Congress representing the people of North Carolina, we write in support of Governor Cooper's request for an Emergency Declaration under Section 501(a) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief Act. We respectfully request your immediate consideration and approval of this Emergency Declaration as the state prepares for Hurricane Florence.

Since April 2018, North Carolina state and local emergency management agencies have responded to tornado damage in Guilford and Rockingham Counties and major flooding and mudslides in 34 of our western counties. Hurricane Florence poses an imminent and dangerous threat to North Carolina, and its approach necessitates the state to once again activate the State Emergency Response Team and numerous other state resources.

An Emergency Declaration will provide the needed assistance to the state and local communities to allow them to properly prepare for the effects of Hurricane Florence. We respectfully request you approve this declaration and enable North Carolina to prepare for the potential disaster, consistent with the intended purposes of the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Stafford Act.

Sincerely,




Richard Burr  
United States Senator



Thom Tillis  
United States Senator



Alma Adams  
Member of Congress



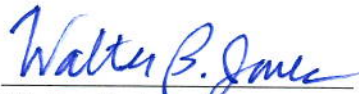
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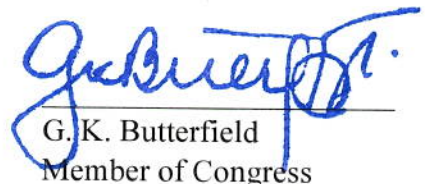
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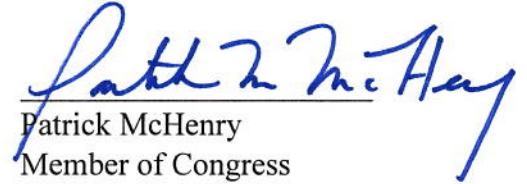
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