

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

March 26, 2024

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden  
President of the United States  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Biden:

We write in support of the State of California's request for a Major Disaster Declaration in response to recent severe winter storms impacting nine counties throughout California, and we ask that you approve it expeditiously.

The State has experienced several storms since January 31, 2024, and the effects are ongoing. The intensity and damages of these storms have overwhelmed state resources and require federal assistance, coordination, and action to supplement state and local efforts. These storms have caused widespread flooding, erosion, power outages, and road closures across the state that have threatened the lives and livelihoods of thousands of Californians. The storms damaged federal and state highways and roads, critical infrastructure, homes, and buildings.

The severity of these storms requires additional coordination and a wider range of long-term federal recovery programs. Therefore, we urge you to expeditiously approve California's request for a Major Disaster Declaration and to provide all categories of public assistance for all counties set forth in the Governor's request, along with hazard mitigation statewide. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



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United States Senator



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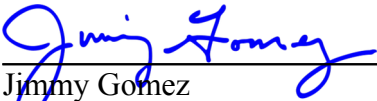
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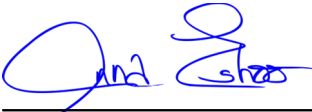
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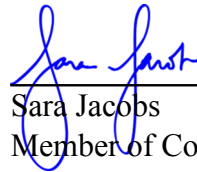
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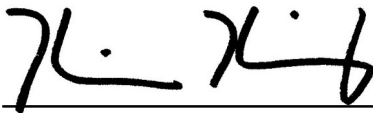
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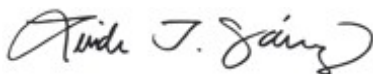
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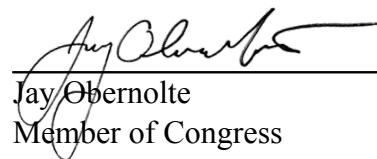
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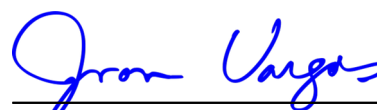
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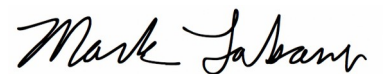
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