

# Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20510

May 23, 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 an expedited major disaster declaration for the State of Iowa as a result of several broad supercell storms that produced large and damaging tornadoes and extremely heavy rainfall amounts across much of the state on May 21, 2024. This severe weather caused significant damage to public infrastructure and private property.

Governor Reynolds has requested Hazard Mitigation statewide and activation of the Public and Individual Assistance Programs. Public Assistance was requested for Adair County. Individual Assistance was requested for four counties: Adair, Polk, Story and Montgomery.

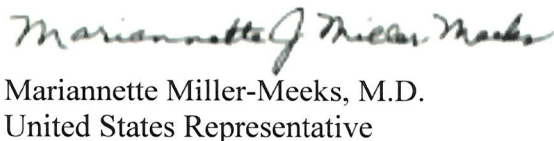
The Governor has determined that this incident is of such severity and magnitude that effective response is beyond the capabilities of the State and affected local governments, and supplementary federal assistance is necessary.

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.  
United States Representative

  
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United States Representative

  
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