

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

July 18, 2024

The Honorable Isabella Casillas Guzman
Administrator
Small Business Administration
409 3rd St SW
Washington, DC 20416

Dear Administrator Guzman:

We are writing in support of Illinois Governor JB Pritzker's request for a U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Economic Injury Disaster Declaration for Jo Daviess County, Illinois, as a result of severe flooding.

Since last month, high Mississippi River water levels and subsequent flooding have severely impacted the businesses in the area. From July 3 through July 10, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's gauge on the Mississippi River at Dubuque detected major flooding, with water levels at more than 21.5 feet. The impacted businesses require assistance to adequately recover.

Assisting these residents in recovery is of utmost importance, and Governor Pritzker has determined that this incident is of such severity and magnitude that effective response is beyond the capabilities of the state and local governments.

As such, we respectfully request that you issue an SBA Disaster Declaration for Jo Daviess County, and we request that the SBA disaster loans also be offered to the counties that are contiguous to the aforementioned county.

Sincerely,



Richard J. Durbin
United States Senator



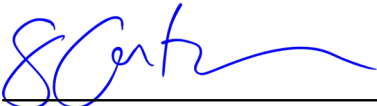
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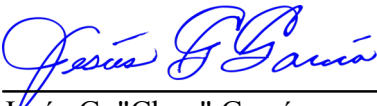
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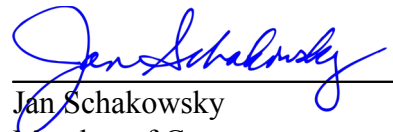
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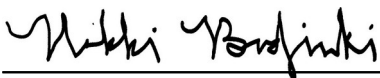
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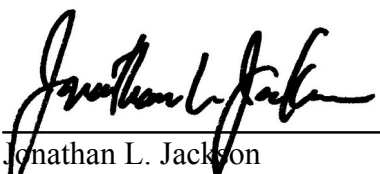
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