

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

August 28, 2013

The Honorable Barack Obama
President
The White House
Washington, DC 20005

Mr. President,

Governor Jay Nixon, on August 27, 2013, requested a major disaster declaration for the State of Missouri as a result of the severe storms that generated flooding and flash flooding throughout much of the southern portion of the state from August 2 to August 14. The National Weather Service has determined that record rainfall occurred in counties throughout this portion of the state.

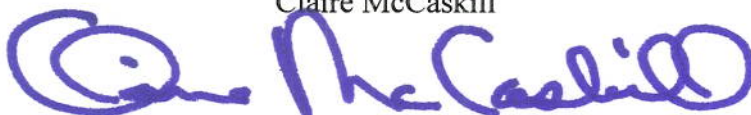
After joint preliminary damage assessments conducted by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Small Business Administration and state and local agencies, the Governor has specifically requested both Public Assistance and Individual Assistance for the counties of Barry, Camden, Dallas, Laclede, Maries, McDonald, Miller, Osage, Ozark, Phelps, Pulaski, Taney, Texas and Webster. Additionally, he is seeking Public Assistance for the counties of Cedar, Dade, Shannon and Wright and Individual Assistance for the counties of Dent, Gasconade, Morgan and Polk.

Based on the joint preliminary damage assessments made thus far, Governor Nixon has determined that "the cost in responding to the flooding and in repairing public infrastructure and individual property will be high, and it's appropriate to request assistance with those costs from the federal government."

In light of the serious impact of this event on lives and property in the areas that has occurred, it is our sincere hope that you will grant Governor Nixon's request in a prompt manner, to help in the recovery of residents and communities affected by this disaster. Along with our fellow Missourians, we eagerly await your decision on this request for assistance.

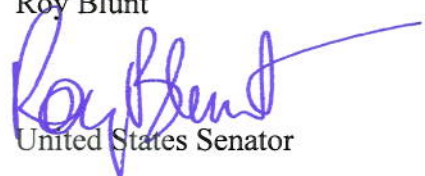
Sincerely,

Claire McCaskill



United States Senator

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