

United States Senate

March 24, 2020

President Donald J. Trump
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington D.C., 20500

Dear President Trump,

I write today to express my support for a Major Disaster Declaration for the State of Louisiana. Officials at the Federal Emergency Management Administration alerted me to Governor Edwards request for a federal emergency declaration for Louisiana in response to the Coronavirus 2019 global pandemic. It is no secret that Louisiana needs your help during this disaster.

The governor specifically requested Individual Assistance (including Disaster Unemployment Assistance, Disaster Case Management, Crisis Counseling, and other needs), Public Assistance (Category B), Direct Federal Assistance, and assistance from the Community Disaster Loan Program. Additionally, that state cited need for 100% federal funding for emergency work under Stafford act Section 403, 100% federal funding in accordance with Title 32 U.S.C. 901-908 to execute homeland security defense activities, and statewide eligibility for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

I am requesting that you approve this request as expeditiously as possible in order to make additional resources available to supplement the state's resources. Thank you for your continued support for the State of Louisiana and for your leadership during this extraordinarily difficult time.

Sincerely,



John Kennedy
U.S. Senator