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Mr. Kem Fleming, Director
U. S. Small Business Administration
Office of Disaster Assistance
Field Operations Center – East
101 Marietta Street NW, Suite 700
Atlanta, GA 30303-2725

Dear Mr. Fleming:

I request that you issue a Small Business Administration (SBA) disaster declaration for the State of North Carolina due to the damages and destruction related to Hurricane Dorian. The storm inflicted major damage to the State causing tornadoes, flooding, and home and building destruction prior to and after making landfall. An initial joint damage assessment (SBA, State, and County) was conducted from September 26 to September 27, 2019. Initial reports from this assessment indicate that Carteret, Dare, Hyde and New Hanover County each had at least 25 homes and businesses with major damage.

Under the provisions of the SBA disaster loan program found in 13 C.F.R. § 123, I request that the SBA make a disaster declaration for Carteret, Dare, Hyde, New Hanover and the contiguous counties. This disaster declaration will provide low interest loans to individual North Carolinians and business owners affected by this event. The State of North Carolina has been denied Individual Assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency for this event and is not appealing that decision.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. If additional information is required to assist you in your determination, please contact Joe Stanton or Todd Wright, Assistant Directors for Recovery, North Carolina Division of Emergency Management, at 919-825-2500.

Sincerely,

Roy Cooper

Attachment: SBA Final PDA Summary