

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

February 3, 2025

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

Dear President Trump,

As you know, the State of Georgia continues to recover from the impact of Hurricane Helene. We write today to request an extension of the duration of 100% Federal funding for Public Assistance Categories A and B to 180 days for counties designated under the Major Disaster Declaration and to request an increase in the federal cost share for Public Assistance Categories C through G. Debris removal efforts are ongoing and so far, have been fully supported by FEMA. Full funding of the Debris Coverage Program from FEMA has been crucial in assisting these impacted counties in helping these communities rebuild.

This program began on October 7, 2024, with a 120-day window, ending February 3, 2025. This extension would match Florida and South Carolina's original 180-day extension which was given by FEMA at the same time that Georgia only received a 120-day designation. Georgia Gov. Brian Kemp has made a similar request of the White House. This is a bipartisan priority for Georgia.

We ask for your leadership and assistance as Georgia continues to rebuild and restore these impacted communities after such terrible destruction.

Sincerely,

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