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President Barack Obama
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I am writing in support of Nebraska Governor Dave Heineman's request for a federal disaster declaration for the State of Nebraska as a result of severe storms that occurred in the state during the month of June 2010. The storms caused a great deal of destruction, ranging from agricultural lands to infrastructure. Extensive damage was done to roads, dams, utilities and bridges. Accounts of the damage have been widely reported by news media. The Nebraska Emergency Management Agency has estimated damages of at least \$16.4 million.

Nebraskans have responded with hard work and resolve. However, due to the extent of damage the state of Nebraska is urgently in need of federal assistance. Today, Governor Heineman requested a federal disaster declaration for 53 Nebraska counties to help alleviate the tremendous impact the storms have had on our state.

I fully support a federal disaster declaration for the area described by Governor Heineman and thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



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