



# CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES

August 11, 2010

**TOM LATHAM**  
Congressman  
4th District, Iowa

The Honorable Barak Obama  
President of the United States  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Northwest  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I am writing to share my strong support for the State of Iowa's anticipated request for a Presidential Disaster Declaration following the damage inflicted by severe flooding in Story County and Boone County Iowa from storms beginning August 8, 2010.

The flooding has caused massive damage to homes, businesses and infrastructure in this area, including the campus and facilities at Iowa State University.

The severity and extent of the damage warrants a response that is well beyond the capabilities of the State of Iowa and local governments. Therefore, immediate federal assistance to the people of Story County and Boone County is needed.

My offices in Washington and Ames, Iowa are available should there be any support we can provide your agency in coordinating this assistance. Thank you for your time, immediate attention and consideration to this very important matter.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tom Latham". The signature is stylized and fluid, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Tom Latham  
Member of Congress