

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

January 26, 2015

The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

As you know, a major winter storm (Winter Storm Juno) is bearing down on Rhode Island and several other states in the Northeast. This storm has the makings of an historic event, with accumulations of more than 30 inches of snow possible in some areas of New England.

Given the severity of this storm and how quickly it has developed, states and local agencies may need additional resources in order to effectively respond. With that in mind, we urge you to act quickly, as you have in the past, to approve any request for an emergency or a disaster declaration that is made by the State of Rhode Island.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Jack Reed
United States Senator



Sheldon Whitehouse
United States Senator



James R. Langevin
Member of Congress



David N. Cicilline
Member of Congress

cc: The Honorable W. Craig Fugate, Administrator
Federal Emergency Management Agency