Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

Thursday, April 2, 2020

The Honorable Donald J. Trump President of the United States The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Trump:

We are writing in support of Governor Ducey's request for a major disaster declaration for the state of Arizona.

On March 11, 2020, citing declarations by the World Health Organization and the Department of Health and Human Services, Governor Ducey declared a state of emergency in Arizona due to the COVID-19 outbreak.

On March 23, 2020, Arizona had reported 235 confirmed cases of COVID-19 and two deaths attributed to the virus. As of April 1, 2020, Arizona had confirmed 1,413 cases of COVID-19 and 29 deaths attributed to the virus. This exponential growth of infections in our state threatens the public health and safety of all Arizonans and requires additional action in order to avoid overwhelming our healthcare providers.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 501 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. §§5121-5207 (Stafford Act), and implemented by 44 C.F.R. § 206.35, we ask that the state of Arizona receive a major disaster declaration.

Mr. President, we respectfully request your swift consideration and approval of this designation. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Kyrsten Sinema

U.S. Senator

Martha McSally

U.S. Senator

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Ruben Gallego U.S. Representative

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