



# STATE OF MINNESOTA

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November 5, 2020

Mr. Joe Kelly  
Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management  
Minnesota Department of Public Safety  
445 Minnesota Street, Suite #223  
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

Dear Director Kelly:

Based upon supporting documents provided to me by the Department of Public Safety – Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, I have determined that damage in certain areas of Hennepin County resulting from fires during the period of May 27 to June 3, 2020 is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant the use of the State Public Disaster Assistance fund, as described under Minn. Stat. §12B.

In order to provide state public disaster assistance, I hereby designate you as my authorized representative so that you may:

- allocate such amounts as you find necessary for state disaster assistance from funds available for these purposes;
- provide public assistance in the designated area; and
- provide additional assistance if requested by a local government; and warranted by the results of further damage assessments, to the extent allowable under Minn. Stat. §12B.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. Walz", written in a cursive style.

Tim Walz  
Governor

Cc: Commissioner John Harrington, Minnesota Department of Public Safety  
Commissioner Jim Schowalter, Minnesota Department of Management and Budget  
Marion Greene, Hennepin County Board Chair  
David Hough, Hennepin County Administrator  
Eric Waage, Hennepin County Emergency Management Director  
Mayor Jacob Frey, City of Minneapolis  
Mark Ruff, Minneapolis City Coordinator  
Barret Lane, Minneapolis Emergency Management Director