



STATE OF MINNESOTA

Office of Governor Mark Dayton

130 State Capitol ♦ 75 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard ♦ Saint Paul, MN 55155

October 25, 2017

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 Cass County and Crow Wing County resulting from severe thunderstorms with damaging winds on September 20, 2017, 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 that reads "Mark Dayton".

Mark Dayton
Governor

cc: Commissioner Ramona Dohman, Minnesota Department of Public Safety
Commissioner Myron Frans, Minnesota Department of Management and Budget
Jeff Peterson, Cass County Board Chair
Joshua Stevenson, Cass County Administrator
Tim Norton, Cass County Emergency Management Coordinator
Doug Houge, Crow Wing County Board Chair
Timothy J. Houle, Crow Wing County Administrator
John Bowen, Crow Wing County Emergency Management Director