**Email Template for Members of Congress and/or Governors Staff**

*My name is Jason Rush, and I am the EMA Director for Chambers County. My job is to plan for, respond to, and recover from disasters that happen in my jurisdiction. As a local emergency manager, I am responsible for executing disaster response and recovery, but I rely on the state and the federal government for assistance and financial support when the scale of a disaster overwhelms local resources.*

*I am writing you today regarding the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The federal/state/local partnership remains critical to the work I do as a local emergency manager.*

*As you know, there are lots of rumors swirling around that FEMA may be dismantled. I respectfully urge Congress and the Trump Administration to allow the FEMA Council to complete the tasks outlined by the President in his January 24 executive order before making any decisions about FEMA’s role and function in future disasters. We have to get this right, but it is going to take some time.*

*In closing, my request is for (NAME OF SENATOR/REPRESENTATIVE/GOVERNOR) to contact President Trump to let him know how important a properly-functioning FEMA is to the disaster response enterprise. For your convenience, I have attached a draft letter for you to consider using as a template, but I defer to you about how you prefer to pass along this message.*

*Thank you for your attention to this matter.*