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Honorable H. Rex Lee
Governor of American Samoa
Pago Pago, American Samoa

As you requested, I have declared a "major disaster" under the authority of Public Law 81-875 in those areas of American Samoa adversely affected by a typhoon and extreme tidal conditions. I have authorized an initial allocation of \$500,000 for eligible PL 875 work in the Territory.

Representatives of the Office of Emergency Planning will continue to consult with you and your staff and assist in the execution of the necessary documents governing expenditure of the allocated funds.

I know your concern because of the hardship and suffering caused by this disaster and am hopeful that the situation will rapidly improve.

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

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