

The White House

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Honorable Erwin D. Canham  
Resident Commissioner  
Government of the Northern  
Mariana Islands  
Saipan, Mariana Islands

As you requested, I declared a major disaster for the Northern Mariana Islands on June 17, 1976, for damage due to Typhoon Pamela beginning about May 20, 1976. Federal relief and recovery assistance is being provided in the affected areas.

In response to the recent devastation caused by Typhoon Therese, I have amended my original declaration of a major disaster to read ". . . damage in certain areas of the Northern Mariana Islands resulting from Typhoon Pamela, beginning about May 20, 1976, and from Typhoon Therese, beginning about July 13, 1976 . . .". This action will permit Federal assistance to be provided in the areas affected by Typhoons Pamela and Therese.

Mr. Robert C. Stevens, Regional Director of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration, Region IX, and Federal Coordinating Officer for this disaster, will assist you in the execution of a supplement to the Federal-Territorial Disaster Assistance Agreement governing the expenditure of Federal funds and the amendment of the incidence period for this disaster.

GERALD R. FORD

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