



September 17, 2020

Honorable Maxine Waters, Chairwoman
House Financial Services Committee
Washington, D.C. 20515

Honorable Mike Crapo, Chairman
Senate Committee on Banking, Housing,
and Urban Affairs
Washington, D.C. 20510

Honorable Patrick McHenry, Ranking Member
House Financial Services Committee
Washington, D.C. 20515

Honorable Sherrod Brown, Ranking Member
Senate Committee on Banking, Housing,
and Urban Affairs
Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: **National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Reauthorization**

Dear Chairwoman Waters, Chairman Crapo, Ranking Member McHenry and Ranking Member Brown:

Thank you for your ongoing interest in and stewardship of the National Flood Insurance Program. During this most unusual year and an extraordinarily active hurricane season, I write to ask you to make certain that the NFIP not lapse when the current authorization ends on September 30th.

As you know, even brief lapses in the NFIP authorization cause disruption in real estate markets during ordinary times. Lapses also increase financial and administrative burdens on those who administer the NFIP. The coronavirus recession and the active 2020 hurricane season would amplify the negative impact of any lapse in NFIP authorization.

Wright National Flood is the leading provider of flood insurance in the United States and one of the largest Write-Your-Own insurers that partner with the Federal Emergency Management Agency to provide flood insurance through the NFIP.

Wright National Flood thanks you and your Committee Members for your important work and for allowing us the opportunity to provide our recommendations to guide your efforts.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Patricia Templeton-Jones".

Patricia Templeton-Jones,
President and Chief Program Advocate