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THE WHITE HOUSE

The President today declared an emergency for the State of New Jersey because of the impact of severe storms, high winds, and abnormally high tides. The President's action will permit the use of Federal funds in relief efforts in designated areas of the State. The President's declaration of an emergency will allow the Federal Government to undertake emergency protective measures.

Federal relief activities in New Jersey will be coordinated by the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration, Department of Housing and Urban Development, under the direction of Administrator Thomas P. Dunne. Mr. Dunne will designate the specific areas within the State eligible for Federal assistance.

Mr. Thomas R. Casey, Regional Director of the Federal Disaster Assistance, HUD Region 2, will be designated as the Federal Coordinating Officer to work with the State in providing Federal emergency assistance under the Disaster Relief Act of 1974, PL 93-288.

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