

H. Res. 782

In the House of Representatives, U. S.,

November 17, 2025.

Whereas, on July 4, 2025, catastrophic heavy rain and flash floods swept across the Texas Hill Country, causing devastating loss of life, widespread destruction of homes and infrastructure, and immeasurable heartbreak for families and communities throughout the region;

Whereas Governor Greg Abbott promptly issued a disaster declaration for the affected counties, ensuring that State resources and support were made immediately available to first responders and affected communities, and pledged continued collaboration with local leaders;

Whereas the flooding affected numerous counties, straining local resources and leaving thousands displaced or in need of urgent assistance;

Whereas the catastrophic floods are responsible for the tragic loss of at least 135 individuals, including at least 37 children, many of whom were attending summer camp in Kerr County, where counselors and campers alike faced unimaginable peril;

Whereas communities across central Texas have endured loss of life, property, and security, with families mourning loved ones and neighborhoods forever changed by the disaster;

Whereas first responders from across Federal, State, and local governments, emergency personnel, and volunteers demonstrated extraordinary courage and selflessness, rescuing over 850 individuals from life-threatening situations;

Whereas, on July 6, 2025, President Donald Trump promptly signed a major disaster declaration, ensuring that Federal resources and support were made immediately available to first responders and affected communities, and pledged continued collaboration with State and local leaders;

Whereas Federal, State, and local leaders have worked tirelessly on the ground to coordinate relief efforts and provide leadership to the people of Texas and those impacted during this unprecedented tragedy;

Whereas stories of heroism emerged from the tragedy, such as the staff and counselors and older campers at camps such as Camp Mystic and Camp La Junta who guided children to safety, embodying the indomitable spirit of Texas;

Whereas neighbors, faith communities, and local and national organizations mobilized to provide shelter, food, and comfort to those affected, reflecting the compassion and resilience that defines Texas; and

Whereas the path to recovery will be long and challenging, requiring unity, empathy, and sustained support from all levels of government and every corner of Texas: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

(1) mourns the profound loss of life and extends its deepest condolences to the families, friends, and communities forever changed by this tragedy;

(2) honors the courage and sacrifice of first responders, volunteers, and everyday Texans who risked their lives to save others and support their neighbors in need;

(3) encourages all relevant authorities to prioritize the rebuilding of critical infrastructure and public facilities damaged by the flooding, and to ensure access to assistance for all residents, especially the most vulnerable; and

(4) stands united with all those affected by the July 4 flooding, pledging ongoing support and remembrance as the process of healing and rebuilding continues.

Attest:

Clerk.