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Honorable Greg Abbott Governor of the State of Texas Office of the Governor P.O. Box 12428 Austin, Texas 78711-2428

Dear Governor Abbott:

I write on behalf of the citizens of the State of Texas to request your immediate assistance in preserving the status quo of the legal rights of those Texas homeowners who have recently been affected by the devastation and destruction of Hurricane Harvey. The purpose of this letter is to specifically request that you place a moratorium on all non-judicial and judicial foreclosure sales in Harris County, and all surrounding counties, for which you and/or the President have declared a disaster area and/or which are subject to FEMA disaster protocols.

Given that the Courts in these counties are presently closed and will likely remain closed the entirety of this week, and that all Courts and State Government offices are already scheduled to be closed for the Labor Day holiday on Monday September 4, 2017, it would a travesty of justice and would add insult to injury as to the due process rights of those homeowners who have already been victimized by this horrific natural disaster to allow any lender, servicer, or other lien holder to proceed with a foreclosure sale on Tuesday September 5, 2017, in any of the affected counties.

Pursuant to the authority vested in you under the Texas Constitution, I humbly request that you take immediate action to prevent additional pain and suffering upon the citizens living in the affected areas by instituting a temporary moratorium on all foreclosure sales in all affected counties for the month of September 2017.

Time is of the essence to prevent any further suffering and/or unnecessary injury upon those who have already lost so much.

Best regards,

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