President Donald J. Trump Approves Emergency Declaration for the District of Columbia

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WASHINGTON -- FEMA announced federal disaster assistance has been made available to the District of Columbia to supplement the District's response efforts due to the emergency conditions resulting from the 59th Presidential Inauguration from January 11 to January 24, 2021.

The President's action authorizes FEMA to coordinate all disaster relief efforts which have the purpose of alleviating the hardship and suffering caused by the emergency on the local population, and to provide appropriate assistance for required emergency measures, authorized under Title V of the Stafford Act, to save lives and to protect property and public health and safety, and to lessen or avert the threat of a catastrophe in the District of Columbia.

FEMA is authorized to identify, mobilize, and provide at its discretion, equipment and resources necessary to alleviate the impacts of the emergency. Emergency protective measures, limited to direct federal assistance, will be provided at 100 percent federal funding.

Thomas J. Fargione has been named as the Federal Coordinating Officer for federal response operations for the affected area. Additional designations may be made at a later date if requested by the District of Columbia and warranted by the results of further evaluation.

