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To Whom It May Concern:

As the Chair of Oklahoma Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster I believe it is important to stress our Oklahoma VOAD support of the organization being formed to continue the work that has been done these last five years by OKUMC Disaster Response.

With OKUMC Disaster Response in the process of closing we are critically aware that this leaves a gap in disaster services that needs to be filled. While the employment of those doing this vital work with the United Methodist Church will terminate the end of October, we are thankful that they are committed to continuing this effort and are in the process of obtaining their 501(c)(3) status and will be transitioning to Recovering Oklahomans After Disaster (ROAD).

Oklahoma VOAD endorses the need for their continued efforts as ROAD and is excited they intend to continue providing these vitally needed recovery services for Oklahomans impacted by disaster. This group has excelled in providing this much needed work over the last five years and we hope will continue to do so long into the future as ROAD.

Please join Oklahoma VOAD in support of these much-needed efforts.

Thank you.

Steven Morán

Chair, Oklahoma VOAD