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Dear Friends,

The people and State of Israel have watched the events in Texas with great concern. Our hearts go out to all those affected by the storm, particularly our Jewish brothers and sisters, as you face the formidable challenge of recovery. It is in times of hardship that the Jewish values of *gemilut hasadim*, compassion and mutual responsibility find their most remarkable expression.

We commend the Jewish Federation of Greater Houston on its swift response to the crisis. The funds raised by the Federation will help provide a measure of security and relief to the most needy and vulnerable community members, as they grapple with the devastating consequences of the hurricane.

For years, the Jewish community of Houston stood by Israel when we needed it. Now we stand by you. The State of Israel has pledged \$1 million in emergency aid to Houston's Jewish community to help repair and rebuild schools, synagogues and community centers that were damaged during Hurricane Harvey.

Our thoughts are with you and all the casualties of this disaster.

Sincerely,

Benjamin Netanyahu

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