Memorandum in Response to Hurricane Harvey Relief Efforts

Last week’s historic weather event brought with it incredible hardships for many of our fellow Roadrunners and fellow Texans, especially those in the Gulf Coast region. Countless families and individuals have been displaced as a result of Hurricane Harvey’s impact. While these trials may push the limits of our strength and character, one thing is certain – no one is alone in this. We are more than just fellow students. We are a family united under one cause.

The Student Government Association of The University of Texas at San Antonio would like to recognize first responders, including the National Guard and other disaster relief organizations, for their outstanding dedication, service, and heroism. We would also like to acknowledge the private citizens who answered the call to mobilize and offer help, including members of the “Cajun Navy,” the “Texas Navy,” and the many friends and neighbors who risked their lives to rescue thousands of people, and are continuing to offer their assistance even as floodwaters continue to rise.

On behalf of all Roadrunners that have been personally affected by this disaster, we would like to thank all those who have graciously opened up their homes, businesses, and places of worship, all who have donated blood, and all who are organizing supply-drives and fundraisers. While the extraordinary outpouring of care is more than worthy of commendation, our responsibility is not over. It is our duty to help in whatever capacity we can, not simply as citizens of Texas – but as fellow human beings. We continue to keep those afflicted by this tragedy in our thoughts and prayers, and we offer our support and our hope that they may overcome each and every obstacle that they may face during these difficult times.

The Student Government Association of The University of Texas at San Antonio wholeheartedly supports the relief efforts and actions taken thus far. We truly hope that they will continue with even greater frequency until all of our fellow Texans are comfortable, safe, and at home once again.

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