

Dear Lt. Gov. Nungesser (Billy),

I write to let you know that Vermonters stand with you in the wake of Louisiana's deadly and devastating floods.

Five years ago, Tropical Storm Irene forever changed the landscape of our state of 625,000 people; some losses will never be recovered, the most keenly felt being the lives of our fellow Vermonters. Homes, businesses, memories and legacies were washed away. But in the destruction, we found each other – and regained an appreciation for our neighbors.

Even though we don't share direct borders, Louisiana and Vermont are still neighbors. We understand tragedy and neighbor helping neighbor when few others will.

I can only imagine the magnitude of grief you're going through– as this happens to Louisiana once again -- but if our experiences have shown us anything, it's this: Through shared loss, we find shared purpose and commonality

As a fellow Lt. Governor, and as a friend – please let us know what we can do to help.

All my best,

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