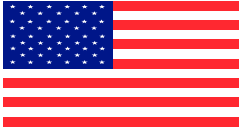


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Statement on Hurricane Harvey

As-Salaamu-Alaikum!

The Conveners of Imams, associated with the *Community of Imam W. Deen Mohammed*, express our deepest sympathies and support to all those courageous survivors of Southeast Texas and Louisiana, in light of the tragic consequences of Hurricane Harvey. In addition to our heartfelt prayers, we urge Imams and Muslim communities throughout this country to support both the short-term and long-term recovery efforts of those individuals, families, and communities that have been impacted by the hurricane, unprecedented rains, and resulting floods that followed.

It is in times and circumstances like these that we are reminded that the common bonds of our humanity bring us together to help each other through threatening circumstances. We are touched and inspired by the dedication and commitment to those local, state and federal public servants who have worked tirelessly, around the clock, to save countless lives. In addition, we also must recognize the neighborly love and compassion of thousands of citizens from near and far that sacrificed themselves to help others in need.

Ironically, for Muslims around the world, this is the month of “*Dhul-Hijja*” (*The Pilgrimage*) in which both our Hajj ritual and our great holy day of “*Eidul-Adha*” (*Celebration of the Sacrifice*) is observed. As we remember and honor both the oneness of humanity and sacrifice of faith, as symbolized by the Hajj, let us also remember our duty and obligation as Believers to extend ourselves to help our fellow neighbors and citizens in their time of need.