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The Honorable R. Alexander Acosta
Secretary
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20210

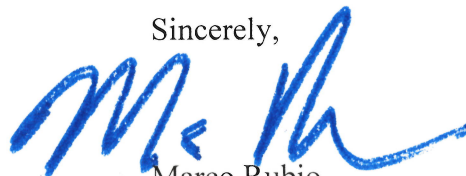
Dear Secretary Acosta:

I write in support of the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity's request to extend the deadline for individuals to apply for Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA), as a result of Hurricane Michael, for an additional 14 days. As you know, Hurricane Michael caused substantial damage throughout Florida's panhandle, and the region is still recovering. An extension would allow those individuals most affected by the deadly storm the ability to apply for this much needed assistance.

Northwest Florida suffered extensive destruction after the category four storm struck. Many jobs have been affected, and as damages continue to be assessed, many more businesses may permanently close their doors. As businesses continue to make these decisions, workers need support systems as they seek new employment opportunities.

Thank you for your attention to this important request.

Sincerely,



Marco Rubio
U.S. Senator