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Kem R. Fleming, Director U.S. Small Business Administration Office of Disaster Assistance Field Operations Center East 101 Marietta Street NW, Suite 700 Atlanta, GA 30303-2725

Dear Mr. Fleming,

Under provisions of Title 13 C.F.R. Part 123.3, I respectfully request that the Administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) implement a Small Business Administrative declaration to provide assistance in the form of SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loans for New Castle, Kent, and Sussex County following the impacts of the Coronavirus outbreak here in Delaware beginning January 31, 2020 and ongoing.

The impact of the virus on our small business community is expected to be significant. Many small businesses are expecting a significant decline in revenue as a result of the steps consumers are taking to limit spread of the virus.

A survey of these affected businesses was conducted to determine the economic impact of their losses for the disaster period as compared to the same period in the preceding year. Based upon these surveys, I certify that at least five small businesses in the disaster area have suffered substantial economic injury as a result of the disaster and are in need of financial assistance not otherwise available on reasonable terms.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

John C. Carney

Governor, State of Delaware