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Roy Cooper, Governor

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Office of the Governor
Director of the Budget
Chairs of the House Appropriations Committee
Chairs of the Senate Appropriations Committee
Chairs of the House Appropriations Committee on Justice and Public Safety
Chairs of the Senate Appropriations Committee on Justice and Public Safety
Fiscal Research Division

FROM: Erik A. Hooks, Secretary *EAH*
Department of Public Safety

SUBJECT: Report on Availability of CDBG-DR Funds for Match

DATE: May 8, 2020

Pursuant to Session Law 2019-250 Section 3.5(a), The Department of Public Safety shall "notify the Director of the Budget, the Office of the Governor, the chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Committees, the chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety, the Fiscal Research Division, and any other State entities deemed necessary of the potential for using Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds to cover the nonfederal share of matching requirements for eligible programs at the following times:

- a. June 1 of each year.*
- b. Within five days of a presidential disaster declaration for the State of North Carolina."*

North Carolina received a presidential major disaster declaration on March 25, 2020 for the COVID-19 Pandemic (FEMA DR-4487).

As a result of this pandemic, the State of North Carolina may be required to provide nonfederal match for eligible disaster response or relief programs. The State of North Carolina is not anticipating federal program support for disaster survivor housing or similar programs as a result of this pandemic. As a result, it is unlikely the State will be eligible to utilize CDBG-DR funds to cover any required nonfederal match requirements.

For any questions regarding this letter, please contact the Department of Public Safety Office of the General Counsel.

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