



Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

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Dear Friends:

I was honored by your invitation to participate in today's symposium. I regret that I am unable to be with you, but know how much I appreciate the important work you are doing.

West Virginia has experienced flooding for a long time. It is a downside of our beautiful mountains and topography. I don't need to tell you how devastating the impacts of flooding can be. The flooding events of 2016 are cemented in every West Virginian's mind and heart. We remember those lost and continue to pray for their families.

The resilience that our state has shown long before 2016 and will continue to show inspires me. We work together and help our neighbors., that is the West Virginian way. The people in this room understand that more than most. You are the group that steps up when flooding and natural disasters occur to help those in need.

I am so thrilled that you are conducting this symposium to discuss ways we can mitigate, prepare, and research to minimize the impacts that these events have on our communities. The work you are doing is so vitally important and has the potential to save so many lives.

When Congress brought back Community Project Funding or earmarks as we know them, I prioritized water and sewer projects. Upgrading and building on our aging water infrastructure is so important to me. I have secured over a dozen water projects and millions of dollars to help communities in my district.

It is an honor to serve as your Representative in Congress and know that I am fighting every day for southern West Virginia.

God bless you!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Carol D. Miller".

Carol D. Miller
Member of Congress