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Mr. Gustavo Velasquez
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Dear Mr. Velasquez:

The Department is approving the State of California's Action Plan Amendment for Community Development Block Grant mitigation (CDBG-MIT) funds appropriated by the Additional Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Act, 2019 Public Law 116-20. On January 6, 2021, the Department allocated \$64,907,000 to the State of California to help mitigate risks associated with natural disasters that occurred in 2018. This letter transmits the enclosed CDBG-MIT grant agreement for \$64,907,000, administered under grant number B-19-DT-06-0001.

The Department emphasizes that the CDBG-MIT grant is a unique opportunity for grantees to develop strategies to mitigate disaster risks and reduce future losses. Overall, HUD seeks to: 1) support data-informed investments in high-impact areas; 2) build the capacity of states and local governments to evaluate disaster risks; 3) support the implementation of policies that reflect local and regional priorities that will have long-lasting effects on community risk reduction; and 4) maximize the impact of available funds from other sources.

The State must execute the grant agreement to obligate the CDBG-MIT funds. Please sign and return a copy for HUD's signature by email to disaster_recovery@hud.gov. The date of HUD's signature on the grant agreement is the date on which the funds are obligated. All funds obligated for this grant must be expended within the twelve years of this grant agreement's obligation date.

The Department remains committed to assisting the State of California in its efforts to address long-term mitigation needs and looks forward to working with you and your staff in partnership to achieve this goal. If you have any questions regarding the information in this

letter, please contact Ms. Tennille S. Parker, Director, Disaster Recovery and Special Issues Division, by email at disaster_recovery@hud.gov.

Sincerely,

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Jessie Handforth Kome
Director
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Enclosure