



22 October 2014

The Honorable Matt Cartwright
1419 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Cartwright:

On behalf of the American Geophysical Union (AGU) and its more than 62,000 members worldwide – Earth and space scientists striving to advance scientific research and understanding for the benefit of humanity – I am writing to express our support for the “Preparedness and Risk Management for Extreme Weather Patterns Assuring Resilience Act of 2014” (PREPARE Act of 2014), H.R. 5314.

Extreme weather events like hurricanes, tornadoes, and heat waves pose a major threat to our nation’s public health and safety and national and economic security. The PREPARE Act will address the need to protect America’s assets and citizens from these dangerous events by increasing government effectiveness and community preparedness and resiliency.

I commend you, your staff, and your colleagues for your ongoing efforts to improve our national resiliency to extreme weather. AGU looks forward to working with you as this bill moves forward.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Christine W McEntee". The signature is written in a cursive style.

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