



Statement of Sympathy and Concern from Senator Feinstein for  
Gulf Coast Victims of Hurricane Katrina  
September 1, 2005

**“I want to extend my deepest sympathies to the victims of Hurricane Katrina and their families. They are in my thoughts and my prayers. The scope of this disaster is unprecedented.**

**Californians have withstood several natural disasters in recent years, such as the terrible earthquakes in Northridge, Loma Prieta, Whittier, and Sam Simeon, as well as the ravaging wildfires, severe floods and mudslides in Southern California and people throughout the nation have helped during our time of need.**

**I believe it is critically important that we now help our fellow Americans in much the same way that they rallied to our side.**

**I believe that we as a nation must do everything we can to help the residents of Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama in their rescue and recovery efforts. The aid of charitable organizations and contributions of ordinary Americans will do an enormous service to bring hope and relief to the struggling families and businesses along the Gulf Coast.”**

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