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Statement for the Record

Thank you Mr. Chairman and Madam Chairwoman for holding this hearing today.

I also appreciate the witnesses appearing before the committee.

This hearing is long overdue for the residents of the Gulf Coast who have been abandoned in the property insurance crisis they're facing.

I have been working to bring relief to these residents for over three years, and I thank my colleagues from South Florida, Mr. Klein and Mahoney, in joining me in this fight.

I will be listening closely to learn how constituents in various areas of our great country are actually going to benefit from such the approach offered in H.R. 3355.

Also, I ask for unanimous consent that a statement from ProtectingAmerica.org be submitted for the record.

Again, thank you Mr. Chairman and I look forward to what our witnesses have to say today.