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Senator César J. Blanco Appointed to Senate Select Committee on

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Austin, Texas- In response to the devastating and deadly flooding in Kerrville and the Hill Country, Lt. Governor Dan Patrick has created the **Senate Select Committee on Disaster Preparedness and Flooding** to review the state's emergency response systems and recommend critical improvements. Senator César J. Blanco has been appointed to serve on the committee.

Disaster Preparedness and Flooding

The committee will begin its work during the special legislative session starting Monday, July 21. Senator Blanco's appointment reflects his ongoing commitment to ensuring that rural, border, and underserved communities are represented in statewide disaster planning and recovery efforts.

Senator César J. Blanco issued the following statement:

"My heart is with the families in Kerrville and across the Hill Country who are mourning loved ones after this devastating flood. This tragedy has shaken our state and reminded us how urgently we must act to strengthen disaster preparedness and response.

"I'm thankful to Lt. Governor Dan Patrick for appointing me to this key committee. Our job now is to take action: improving early warning systems, strengthening local emergency coordination, and investing in infrastructure that saves lives. We must act swiftly and thoughtfully to make sure tragedies like this do not happen again."