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COMPETITION BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES
AND THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY**

October 9, 2025

The Honorable Mike Johnson
Speaker of the House
U.S. House of Representatives
H-232, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Speaker Johnson:

Ahead of Hurricane Priscilla or its remnants approaching the U.S. mainland and given the ongoing critical constituent service work a government shutdown requires, I respectfully request that you consider all available tools at your disposal to immediately administer the oath of office to Representative-elect Adelita Grijalva. This includes but is not limited to deputizing an official in Arizona to administer the oath in your absence, in accordance with House Rules, precedents and procedures.

According to the Weather Prediction Center, more than a month's worth of rain could fall within days in some areas of the Southwest and cause "potentially widespread flash flooding" and "significant impacts" into the weekend.¹ Hazardous, widespread flooding could follow as drought and wildfires across the region have increased risks of runoff and flooding.

Members of Congress are an essential resource for constituents before, during and after a natural disaster. A fully operational Congressional office provides immediate assistance and up-to-date information to those in affected areas; serves as a real-time information flow for federal, state and local emergency management; and is essential in supporting recovery efforts. By blocking Representative-elect Grijalva from taking the oath of office, you are depriving more than 800,000 Arizonans of critical assistance ahead of a potentially deadly storm.

Your office has now received the appropriate official correspondence from the State of Arizona confirming the unofficial results of Representative-elect Grijalva's decisive victory on Sept. 23, 2025. With that documentation properly submitted, the House is fully empowered—and indeed obligated—to act. Representative-elect Grijalva needs to be sworn in without further delay.

Sincerely,

Greg Stanton
Member of Congress

¹ <https://www.cnn.com/2025/10/08/weather/hurricane-priscilla-moisture-southwest-flooding-rain-climate>