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From: Nancy Whalen
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Subject: Your part in misleading the public and providing cover to the president

Ms. Roberts:

As a federal government employee, you are paid by the U.S. taxpayers, of which I am one. We pay you to do your job in an impartial and professional way, not to act out of cowardice and/or misplaced loyalty to provide political cover to an unfit president.

I'm one of the "little people," just an insignificant individual from your perspective, I'm sure. Nevertheless, you work for me and people like me, and I am appalled and disgusted that you would provide political cover to the president for the utter nonsense he tweeted out about Hurricane Dorian's path and his subsequent days-long attempts to double-down and claim he was correct when he was in the wrong.

That you would politicize an agency like NOAA is, frankly, unprofessional, a disservice to our country, and a slap in the face to the fine staff who worked overtime to inform the public about the path of Dorian.

This has gone too far. Most of us know full well that the president is not fit for his job. Apparently you are yet another appointee willing to sacrifice your own credibility and moral compass to lie about your agency's own forecast models. Science is not subject to political whims, most certainly not when it comes to deadly storms and misleading statements that may put people in harm's way.

I'm utterly disgusted by your actions in sending out a false statement and one that wrongly chastised the Birmingham agency and hope you will tender your resignation immediately for dereliction of duty.

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