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Dear Editors,

I, Ethan Kaplan, have only used funds from my university-provided research account for the research in "Pandering in the Shadows: How Natural Disasters Affect Special Interest Politics." I am a research affiliate of the Maryland Population Research Center, CAGE (Competitive Advantage of the Global Economy) at the University of Warwick, the Tax and Transfer Policy Institute at Australia National University and a member of the Academic Advisory Board for the Economic Policy Institute. None of these organizations have any interest in this work nor have they reviewed it. No party has or has had the right to review this research.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'E. Kaplan' with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ethan Kaplan