



United States Senate

December 2, 2020

President Donald J. Trump
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President,

I write to urge you to approve Governor Newsom's request for continuing authority and funding under Title 32 to order to duty or extend the federal military orders of up to 1,500 members of the California National Guard responding to COVID-19 through March 31, 2021. I also request that you authorize 100 percent federal cost-share for California's National Guard through March 31, 2021.

The National Guard is a critical component of California's efforts to contain the pandemic. There are nearly 700 Guard forces serving in California who are providing medical support, staffing COVID-19 testing sites, and delivering assistance to people in need. Your approval would allow California to maintain the National Guard's continuity of operations at this critical time in which the number of new cases and hospitalizations continue to surge in California, and some counties are imposing new stay-at-home orders.

The National Guard has been essential to California's response during this pandemic, and it is critical for these forces to maintain their ability to conduct testing, contact tracing, and other public health measures. I appreciate your attention to this request.

Sincerely,

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Dianne Feinstein
United States Senator

cc: Acting Secretary of Defense Christopher C. Miller

Enclosure: Letter from Governor Newsom to President Trump, November 30, 2020



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

November 30, 2020

The Honorable Donald J. Trump
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

In light of the continuing COVID-19 emergency in California, I request continuing authority and funding under section 502(f)(2)(A) of Title 32 of the United States Code to order to duty or extend the federal military orders of up to 1,500 members of the California National Guard from December 31, 2020 until March 31, 2021. This authority will allow me to efficiently allocate federal resources to deploy my National Guard in a timely and effective manner. I make this request in accordance with Department of Defense Instruction 3025.22 for Operational Support authority.

I thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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Gavin Newsom
Governor

CC: Acting Secretary of Defense Christopher C. Miller