STATE OF MINNESOTA

Executive Department



Executive Order 21-06

Providing Public Safety Assistance during Potential Civil Unrest

I, Tim Walz, Governor of the State of Minnesota, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and applicable statutes, issue the following Executive Order:

The upcoming trials of the former officers involved in the death of George Floyd have raised the potential of civil unrest in the Cities of Minneapolis, Saint Paul, and nearby communities. The Mayors of Minneapolis and Saint Paul have requested assistance from the State, including the Minnesota National Guard, to support public safety and security and to prevent or respond to potential civil unrest. In addition to other state resources, the National Guard can supplement local law enforcement efforts to keep the peace, ensure public safety, and allow for peaceful demonstrations. Per my direction, the National Guard has already begun planning and preparing for activation to state service.

For these reasons, I order as follows:

- 1. The Adjutant General will order to state active duty the personnel, equipment, and facilities needed to coordinate and support public safety and security services in the Cities of Minneapolis and Saint Paul and communities across the State of Minnesota, at a time deemed appropriate by the Adjutant General in consultation with the Governor and for such period of time as necessary to coordinate and support public safety and security services.
- 2. The Adjutant General is authorized to procure the goods and services needed to accomplish the mission.
- 3. The Department of Public Safety's Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management will continue to coordinate the provision of on-site support and assistance to affected local units of government and assess the need for supplementary emergency assistance.
- 4. The costs of this assistance will be paid from the general fund as allowed by Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 192.52.

This Executive Order is effective fifteen days after publication in the State Register and filing with the Secretary of State and will remain in effect until it is rescinded by proper authority, the need for National Guard assistance ends, or December 31, 2021, whichever occurs first.

A determination that any provision of this Executive Order is invalid will not affect the enforceability of any other provision of this Executive Order. Rather, the invalid provision will be modified to the extent necessary so that it is enforceable.

Signed on February 5, 2021.

Tim Walz

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