

STATE OF MINNESOTA

Executive Department



Governor Tim Walz

Emergency Executive Order 22-02

Preparing Resources to Provide Public Safety Assistance

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 federal trial of three former Minneapolis police officers involved in the death of George Floyd is underway in Saint Paul. Those same former officers face a trial in state court later this year. In anticipation of these trials, local officials have been in communication with state officials about state support during any related civil unrest threatening public safety.

As part of ongoing planning activities, and to ensure optimal readiness in the case of changes to the public safety environment, the Mayor of Saint Paul has requested state assistance, including the Minnesota National Guard. The National Guard can assist with preparation and planning activities in support of local and state law enforcement and emergency management agencies. The National Guard can also support local law enforcement efforts to protect life and property, ensure public safety, and protect freedom of speech by allowing for peaceful demonstrations. Pursuant to the Minnesota Emergency Operations Plan, the National Guard should undertake such public safety activities only where local law enforcement resources have been exhausted. Bringing personnel, equipment, and facilities to state active duty will allow the National Guard to continue to assist with preparation and planning work with state and local partners. It will also allow the National Guard to quickly be ready to support law enforcement activities as needed to prevent threats to public safety.

For these reasons, I order as follows:

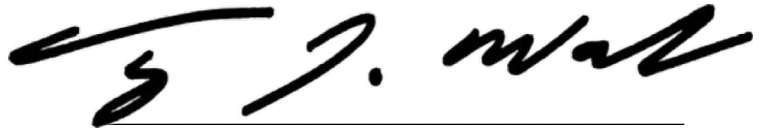
1. The Adjutant General will order to state active duty the personnel, equipment, and facilities needed to coordinate and support public safety and security services in the City of Saint Paul and communities across the State of Minnesota, at a time deemed appropriate by the Adjutant General in consultation 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 costs of this assistance will be paid from the general fund as allowed by Minnesota Statutes 2021, section 192.52.

This Executive Order is effective immediately under Minnesota Statutes 2021, section 4.035, subdivision 2, and it will remain in effect until it is rescinded by proper authority or December 31, 2022, 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 4, 2022.



Tim Walz
Governor

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