



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

DECLARING A STATEWIDE STATE OF EMERGENCY

- WHEREAS:** On May 29, 2020, I issued Executive Order 05.29.20.01, declaring a State of Emergency in Fulton County, Georgia due to unlawful assemblage, violence, overt threats of violence, disruption of the peace and tranquility of Fulton County, and danger existing to persons and property; and
- WHEREAS:** On May 30, 2020, I issued Executive Order 05.30.20.01, authorizing up to one thousand five hundred (1,500) Georgia National Guard troops to be called up for state active duty; and
- WHEREAS:** Due to further protests, there persists unlawful assemblages of persons, violence, overt threats of violence, danger to persons and property, and disruption of the peace and tranquility in the State of Georgia; and
- WHEREAS:** Code Section 38-2-6 grants the Governor the authority to order the Georgia National Guard into active service to subdue riot and unlawful assembly; and
- WHEREAS:** Code Section 38-2-307 vests the Governor with the authority to empower the Georgia National Guard with the power to arrest and apprehend persons when called to active duty to respond to emergencies; and
- WHEREAS:** Pursuant to Code Section 31-3-51(a), the Governor may renew a state of emergency if an emergency persists within the State; and
- WHEREAS:** On March 14, 2020, due to the impact of COVID-19 on the State of Georgia, I issued Executive Order No. 03.14.20.01, declaring a Public Health State of Emergency in Georgia; and

WHEREAS: The Georgia General Assembly concurred with Executive Order 03.14.20.01 by joint resolution on March 16, 2020; and

WHEREAS: On April 8, 2020, I renewed the Public Health State of Emergency until May 13, 2020 by issuing Executive Order 04.08.20.02; and

WHEREAS: On April 30, 2020, I renewed the Public Health State of Emergency until June 12, 2020 by issuing Executive Order 04.30.20.01; and

WHEREAS: On May 28, 2020, I renewed the Public Health State of Emergency until July 12, 2020 by issuing Executive Order 05.28.20.01; and

WHEREAS: This Order shall create a coexisting statewide state of emergency in the State of Georgia with the Public Health State of Emergency described in the immediately preceding paragraphs; and

WHEREAS: The responses by the State to this State of Emergency and the Public Health State of Emergency should both proceed simultaneously, without one impeding the other; and

WHEREAS: The following actions are necessary and appropriate to protect public peace and provide for the safety and welfare of Georgia's residents, visitors, and private property.

NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO GEORGIA LAW AND THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED: That the terms of Executive Orders 05.29.20.01 and 05.30.20.01 are hereby adopted by reference.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That due to the continued and expanded threat of unlawful assemblages of persons, violence, overt threats of violence, danger to persons and property, and disruption of the peace and tranquility in the State of Georgia, the State of Emergency declared in Executive Order 05.29.20.01 shall be expanded to include all counties in the State of Georgia.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That the State of Emergency declared in Executive Order 05.29.20.01 shall be renewed and extended for seven (7) days and five (5) minutes, expiring on Monday, June 8, 2020, at 11:59 P.M.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That the Georgia Department of Defense provide an additional one thousand five hundred (1,500) Georgia National Guard troops as needed to be used in response to this State of Emergency.

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ORDERED: That all Georgia National Guard troops be called up to State Active Duty as necessary by the Adjutant General.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That pursuant to the call for troops in Executive Orders 05.29.20.01 and 05.30.20.01 and Code Section 38-2-307, the Georgia National Guard troops called to respond to this State of Emergency shall have the same powers of arrest and apprehension as do law enforcement officers to be exercised with caution and only if the circumstances demand the exercise of such powers to protect the safety of persons or property.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That all resources of the State of Georgia be made available to assist in the ongoing response to the State of Emergency that exists within this state.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That if one or more of the provisions contained in this Order shall be held to be invalid, in violation of the Georgia Constitution, in violation of Georgia law, or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, violation, or unenforceability shall not affect any other provisions of this Order, but, in such case, this Order shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal, or unenforceable provision had never been contained within the Order.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That this Order shall be effective upon signature.

This 30th day of May 2020 at 10:48 P.M.


GOVERNOR