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VIA EMAIL

The Honorable Donald J. Trump
President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

Thank you for authorizing the use of Michigan National Guard forces under Title 32, U.S.C., Section 502(f) until August 21, 2020. With this assistance our state has made great strides in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic, but we have much more work to respond to and recover from this crisis.

I request that you authorize the use of Title 32 section 502(f) for ongoing activities through December 31, 2020. The Michigan National Guard is a crucial part of the State's emergency response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and the Guard will be vital to our ongoing recovery as well. Beyond August 21, 2020, we will continue to require the Michigan National Guard to perform humanitarian missions across the state, such as helping run mobile screening facilities, testing, distributing food and medical supplies, ensuring resiliency of supply lines, disinfecting public spaces, and supporting public safety when required.

I appreciate your continued partnership as we work to address the COVID-19 crisis. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gretchen Whitmer".

Gretchen Whitmer
Governor

cc: Mark T. Esper, Secretary, Department of Defense; Peter T. Gaynor, Administrator, FEMA; Kevin M. Sligh, Acting Administrator, FEMA Region V