

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

October 23, 2025

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

President Trump:

We write with grave concern regarding reports that your Administration is considering invocation of the *Insurrection Act* to deploy active-duty military forces for domestic law enforcement. Such an action would represent a profound departure from our constitutional traditions and limits established under the *Posse Comitatus Act*, which prohibits the use of the United States military, including National Guard troops called into federal service, in civilian law enforcement except in the narrowest and most extraordinary circumstances.

The *Insurrection Act* may only be invoked when a state requests federal assistance, when there is an active rebellion against the United States, or when inhabitants of a state are being deprived of constitutionally protected rights and the state is unable or unwilling to protect them. None of these conditions currently exist.

Threatening or preparing to use the military against the American people is both inappropriate and deeply irresponsible. Moreover, your Administration's rhetoric and subsequent actions singling out communities and states led by elected officials of the opposing political party only deepens the perception that such actions would be politically motivated rather than grounded in law.

We therefore urge you, in the strongest possible terms, to refrain from any action that would violate the *Posse Comitatus Act* or undermine the principle of civilian governance. We remind you that your oath of office requires you to "preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States," not to disregard it.

Thank you for your attention to this serious matter.

Sincerely,



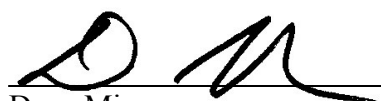
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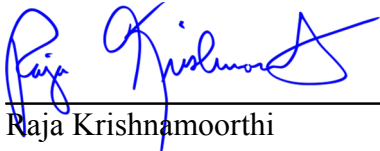
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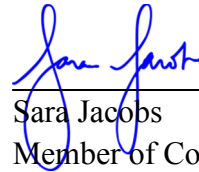
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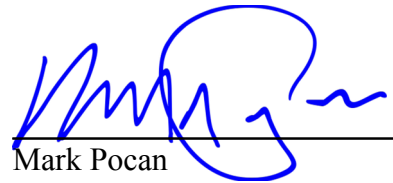
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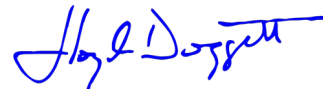
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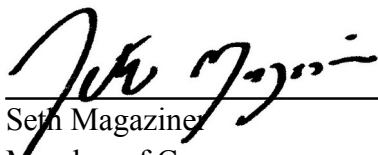
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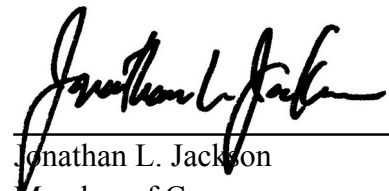
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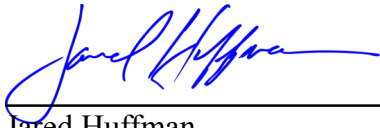
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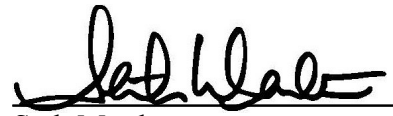
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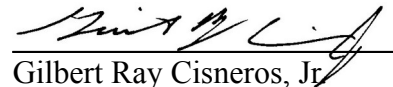
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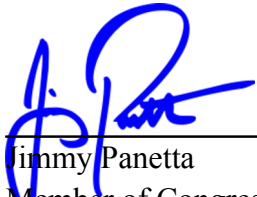
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James P. McGovern
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