



**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU
Governor

July 9, 2020

The Honorable Donald J. Trump
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear President Trump:

You have approved 1,000 members of the New Hampshire National Guard in Title 32 status through August 21, 2020. The mission requirements for the Guardsmen we have activated will continue beyond the current expiration date - these personnel are critical in our response to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Therefore, I write to request your authorization to retain up to 400 New Hampshire National Guard personnel in a Title 32 status through December 31, 2020. An extension will enable New Hampshire to continue to take aggressive action to maintain screening and testing sites, stage and distribute sufficient personal protective equipment (PPE) as well as critical medical supplies and maintain the state's transition to a successful reopening of the economy.

I ask that you approve and direct the Office of Management and Budget, the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Secretary of Defense to extend Title 32 502(f) authority for up to 400 members of the New Hampshire Army and Air National Guard during the period of August 21 – December 31, 2020. I will continue to reassess the situation on a monthly basis and inform you when support of the current mission critical requirements provided by the New Hampshire National Guard are no longer needed.

Thank you for your urgent consideration of this important matter.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chit T. Sununu".

Christopher T. Sununu
Governor