



**MURIEL BOWSER**  
**MAYOR**

December 31, 2020

Major General William J. Walker  
Commanding General  
District of Columbia National Guard  
2001 East Capitol Street, SE  
Washington, DC 20003

Dear Major General Walker:

As you know, First Amendment demonstrations permitted by the National Park Service are scheduled to occur in the District of Columbia on Tuesday, January 5, 2021 and Wednesday, January 6, 2021. As a result, District Government requests DC National Guard (DCNG) support, as these demonstrations will follow similar events on November 14, 2020 and December 12, 2020, which resulted in a large influx of participants, violence and criminal activity.

The District of Columbia is requesting personnel from the DCNG. Further, DCNG will support operations for both the Metropolitan Police Department and the DC Fire and Emergency Medical Services. Finally, no DCNG personnel shall be armed during this mission, and at no time, will DCNG personnel or assets be engaged in domestic surveillance, searches, or seizures of US persons.

Director Christopher Rodriguez of the District's Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency will provide the requirements of and more details related to the mission. I request that you immediately connect with Director Rodriguez to discuss this critical request. Thank you for your immediate assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Muriel Bowser". The signature is stylized and overlaps with the printed name below it.

Muriel Bowser  
Mayor