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Few bad actors commit acts of vandalism and violence that put people at risk in Wisconsin capitol protests.

MADISON — At the request of the City of Madison, Gov. Tony Evers Sunday authorized the Wisconsin National Guard to support the Madison community's response to agitators that have disrupted peaceful protests following the murder of George Floyd by a Minneapolis police officer.

Pursuant to Section 321.39(1)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes, the governor has ordered into state active duty members of the Wisconsin National Guard necessary to support local law enforcement in Dane County, beginning immediately. Any members called to active duty may only be used to provide support to local law enforcement and to protect critical infrastructure, such as utilities and fire stations, and cultural institutions necessary for the well-being of the community. The National Guard may not be used to impede the ability of people to peacefully protest or interfere with the media's ability to report on these activities.

Gov. Evers released the following statement:

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