



# Van H. Wanggaard

Wisconsin State Senator

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

January 22, 2021

Governor Tony Evers  
115 East, State Capitol  
Madison, WI 53707

Dear Governor Evers,

I write to demand that your immediately call back our Wisconsin National Guard (WNG) troops that have been sent to guard our nation's capital during President Biden's inauguration.

Many other states have already recalled their Guard members. Recent reports have stated that National Guard troops are now being barracked in parking garages without heat or bathrooms. While used to sleeping in harsh conditions during times of active duty, this is unacceptable. This is not how we should treat our fellow citizens, let alone our nation's heroes answering the call of duty.

I would also like to know if background checks were conducted on any WNG personnel since they were summoned to Washington. Questioning the patriotism, honor, and devotion to duty of our Guardsmen is insulting. This is especially true after their performance of the last year, answering the call whether it was for COVID testing or Kenosha or Madison.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Van H. Wanggaard".

Van Wanggaard  
State Senator  
21<sup>st</sup> District

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