# Los Angeles curfew exposed as weak leadership amid escalating protests



In what can only be described as a display of weak leadership and chaos, Los Angeles Mayor Karen Bass has capitulated to the mob by declaring a citywide curfew in response to the ongoing protests fueled by unchecked immigration policies. While she claims this is necessary to restore order, her inability to control the unrest exposes her administration’s inability to provide true security or uphold law and order. The curfew, from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m., is just another bandaid solution that fails to address the root causes of these disturbances—namely, the federal government’s reckless stance on immigration and the city’s soft approach to civil unrest.

The situation has been further inflamed by former President Donald Trump’s decisive actions, deploying thousands of federalized National Guard troops and 700 Marines to stabilize the city. Trump’s intervention underscores the seriousness of the threat, contrasting sharply with Bass’s feeble response. The President correctly highlighted that without a firm military presence, Los Angeles risked descending into utter chaos—yet Bass and her allies continue to downplay the severity, claiming the Guard is merely protecting federal buildings. This misrepresentation reveals a lack of resolve and a forgetfulness of the lawless conditions dominating the streets.

Meanwhile, California’s liberal Governor Gavin Newsom has voiced opposition to federal troop deployment, positioning himself as the voice of reason while doing little to actually restore order. Instead of stepping up to support stronger enforcement measures, Newsom’s move to challenge the federal authorities in court is another sign of the state’s wavering commitment to maintaining law and order. His legal actions and inflammatory rhetoric only serve to embolden the chaos, as the conflict between state and federal interests becomes more entrenched—showing yet again the inability of California’s leadership to manage rising civil unrest.

In the midst of this turmoil, Trump, addressing troops at Fort Bragg, accused Bass and Newsom of funding agitators and insurrectionists, attempting to shift blame onto local officials for the calamity. His claims, while not directly accusing specific individuals, shine a harsh light on the failure of those in power to rein in the violence—an indictment of leaders more interested in political correctness than public safety. These protests, which began peacefully but devolved into violence, have seen demonstrators block vital highways and march through downtown neighborhoods with banners that promote chaos rather than constructive solutions.

The escalation in violence is rooted in the federal government’s disgraceful handling of immigration, with ICE arresting over 8,200 undocumented immigrants in recent operations. Such aggressive enforcement only fuels resentment and civil disobedience. Young people and community members are rightly frustrated, staging walkouts that echo the broader failure of leadership across California—an administration seemingly more interested in virtue signaling than protecting its citizens from lawless mobs.

As Los Angeles continues to descend into disorder, Bass’s unwillingness to impose real order or support meaningful immigration reform reveals the weakness of her leadership. The upcoming court battle over Newsom’s injunction will serve as a stark reminder that California’s authorities are incapable of restoring stability amid the chaos. It’s clear that only a crackdown on these violent protests and a firm commitment to law and order can begin to stem the tide of lawlessness that’s threatening to engulf Los Angeles—and the state.

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