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Lt. Gov. McLean Urges President and Congress Against Cuts to Army National Guard

HELENA – Lieutenant Governor Angela McLean, along with 38 other lieutenant governors (or corresponding state position) from around the nation sent a letter to President Obama and members of Congress, urging them to fight against potential cuts to the Army National Guard.

“Whether it is serving the people of Montana during floods, fires or other emergencies, or defending our nation across the globe, the men and women of the National Guard stand ready to sacrifice for the good of our state and nation,” McLean said. “It is irresponsible to consider cuts that would jeopardize the safety of Montanans and the preparedness of our Soldiers and Airmen.”

The letter was sent on Tuesday in advance of an important congressional hearing related to funding for the National Guard.

The Montana National Guard is a unique, community based organization that consists of over 3,800 Citizen-Soldiers and Airmen assigned to units in 21 communities.

Lt. Governor McLean’s letter can be found at: [http://governor.mt.gov/Portals/16/docs/NLGA National Guard Letter 4 29 14.pdf](http://governor.mt.gov/Portals/16/docs/NLGA_National_Guard_Letter_4_29_14.pdf)

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