



Yesterday, Baltimore City experienced unacceptable acts of violence. Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake took immediate steps to regain control of the city and ensure that order is maintained in the coming days.

Among actions taken yesterday:

- The Mayor requested additional support from the National Guard. Members of the Guard will be present in Baltimore City in the coming hours and will support Baltimore City Police, many of whom have been working nearly around the clock for the past several days managing protests.
- The Mayor continued to recruit additional police support from surrounding jurisdictions and was in contact with President Obama, Governor Hogan and various other officials from around the region discussing response efforts to stop the violence.
- The Mayor instituted a city-wide curfew in effect each night from 10pm to 5am. This curfew will remain in effect for the next 7-days at which point the Mayor will determine if additional days are needed.
- The Mayor activated a 24 hour emergency operation center to coordinate an Administration wide response to the violence in city streets.
- Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake spoke out forcefully and condemned the actions of a small group of agitators who went against the wishes of Freddie Gray's family.

Today the Mayor will be focused on surveying the damage inflicted by these shameful actions, and ensuring that overall government operations continue as normal.

At this time,

- City Hall will be open
- MTA will be operating on regular schedule
- Major roadways will be clear
- Amtrak is unaffected
- Trash collection and street sweeping will continue
- City agencies will support impacted businesses with clean-up efforts
- Baltimore City Schools will be closed

Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake remains committed to a thorough and transparent investigation to determine the facts surrounding the death of Freddie Gray. The Baltimore City Police Department remains on schedule to deliver the results of their internal investigation to the Office of the States' Attorney on Friday, May 1st. The States Attorney Office is conducting its own investigation and will determine what charges should be brought. Additionally, the Department of Justice is conducting its own independent investigation. We will continue to work around the clock to ensure the unrest is settled, the perpetrators of that unrest are apprehended, and that justice is brought to the family of Freddie Gray.

As a City, we will clean, we will rebuild, and we will heal.