



**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER JML 25-060**

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***OPERATION GEAUX***

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**WHEREAS**, over the past four years, the Biden Administration systemically reversed and dismantled the vast majority of immigration enforcement mechanisms established by Congress and prior administrations, thereby aiding and abetting the illegal entry in the United States of millions of aliens at the southern border;

**WHEREAS**, the Biden Administration oversaw the largest wave of illegal immigration in the Nation's history;

**WHEREAS**, the estimated population of illegal aliens in Louisiana was approximately 97,000 as of 2021, with current figures likely significantly higher;

**WHEREAS**, the overwhelming majority of crimes perpetrated by illegal aliens fall under state jurisdiction, requiring substantial state and local resources for investigation, prosecution, adjudication, incarceration, and post-release supervision;

**WHEREAS**, due to the Biden Administration's non-enforcement policies, large numbers of criminal aliens are released into communities rather than being detained and removed, increasing the risk of recidivism and endangering public safety;

**WHEREAS**, through his first one hundred days in office, President Donald J. Trump has taken historic action to marshal all available federal resources to safeguard our borders, immediately end the disastrous Biden-era policies, and prioritize the safety, security, and prosperity of all Americans.

**WHEREAS**, President Trump has implemented a series of executive actions aimed at combating illegal immigration, which include but are not limited to:

- Declaring a national emergency at the southern border;

- Initiating the construction of physical barriers and “obtaining complete operational control of the borders of the United States”;
- Implementing measures to deter and prevent unlawful entry into the United States;
- Mandating the detention and expedited removal of “aliens apprehended on suspicion of violating Federal or State law”;
- Ending the “catch-and-release” practice and pursuing criminal penalties for “those who facilitate their unlawful presence in the United States”;
- Promoting cooperative federal-state partnerships as force multipliers for the effective enforcement of U.S. immigration laws;
- Terminating discretionary parole programs for illegal aliens from Cuba, Haiti, Nicaragua, and Venezuela; and
- Employing advanced vetting procedures, including biometric scanning and verification of familial relationships for individuals encountered or apprehended by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (“DHS”).

**WHEREAS**, within the first one hundred days, the Trump Administration has secured hundreds of agreements with state and local law enforcement agencies and departments across the country to enforce President Trump’s immigration policies, producing remarkable achievements including the largest joint immigration operation in Florida’s history in April 2025 that netted 1,120 criminal illegal alien arrests;

**WHEREAS**, the State of Louisiana through the Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections (“DPSC”) has already begun to partner with DHS commencing Operation GEAUX to enforce President Trump’s immigration policies;

**WHEREAS**, Operation GEAUX is a proactive approach to safeguarding the citizens of Louisiana through the identification and removal of criminal aliens from the community;

**WHEREAS**, Operation GEAUX aligns state and federal resources to identify criminal aliens arrested, incarcerated, or on supervised release in Louisiana and collaborate with DHS officials to effectively and efficiently process these criminal aliens for removal and deportation;

**WHEREAS**, Operation GEAUX is already producing results for the people of Louisiana, and the State is now in a position to capitalize on that progress through the utilization and dedication of all of our excellent and hard-working state and local law enforcement officials in Louisiana working together with the Trump Administration to make America and Louisiana safe, secure, and prosperous once more.

**NOW THEREFORE, I, JEFF LANDRY**, Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

Section 1: Louisiana State Police, Department of Public Safety & Corrections, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, the State Fire Marshal, and the Louisiana National

Guard (“state law enforcement agencies”) are to launch a public awareness campaign on Operation GEAUX’S public safety mission.

Section 2: State law enforcement agencies are ordered to explore, and where appropriate, enter into agreements with the United States Department of Homeland Security and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (“ICE”), commonly referred to as 287(g) programs, to enhance collaboration with federal, state, and local law enforcement partners to safeguard the people of Louisiana through vigorous enforcement and compliance with applicable Federal and state law.

Section 3: State law enforcement agencies are ordered to collaborate with DHS and ICE to screen and identify all criminal aliens arrested, incarcerated, or on supervision for indicia of gang membership.

Section 4: State law enforcement agencies are ordered to explore and implement any collaborative models with local law enforcement agencies that are deemed appropriate and necessary to further the goals and objectives of any 287(g) agreements entered into pursuant to this executive order or pursuant to any other lawful federal-state law enforcement collaboration.

Section 5: Local law enforcement agencies are strongly encouraged to explore and where appropriate, enter into their own agreements with DHS and ICE pursuant to the 287(g) programs to preserve and defend the safety, security, and prosperity of each and every community across Louisiana.

Section 6: This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the Governor, or terminated by operation of law.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Louisiana in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2025.

  
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Jeff Landry  
GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

ATTEST BY THE  
SECRETARY OF STATE

  
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