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PUBLIC SAFETY COURT OF STATE OF CALIFORNIA
ALL 58 COUNTIES

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF
CALIFORNIA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

GAVIN CHRISTOPHER NEWSOM,
DOB: 10-10-1967

Defendant.

NO. 9-14-2021

INDICTMENT

OVERVIEW

The charges set forth herein stem from the role of GAVIN CHRISTOPHER NEWSOM (DOB 10-10-1969), hereinafter NEWSOM, the defendant, in the dereliction of duties as the 40th governor of California since January 2019. He previously served as the 49th lieutenant governor of California from 2011 to 2019 and as the 42nd mayor of San Francisco from 2004 to 2011.

Public Safety. The number one duty of the government is public safety. All government actions affect public safety. Under NEWSOM's reign, the People of California have faced some

of the worst crises on public safety and assault on our peace. He has created an environment of lawlessness through his repeated support of anti-public safety laws.

Jump in Homicides. Under NEWSOM, California homicides jumped 31 percent in 2020, reaching the highest rate in 13 years. Murders in Los Angeles County have spiked nearly 200 percent, and violent crime is rising at a rapid pace. Violent crimes disproportionately hurt minorities and the poor, who may not have the option of moving to a safer neighborhood, installing home security, or hiring armed guards.

Prisoner Release. In 2021, NEWSOM released 76,000 prisoners, including many with serious and/or violent convictions on their record. In 2019 and 2020, under NEWSOM, more than one-third of prisoners (almost 5,000) were granted parole after a parole hearing, despite opposition from law enforcement and desperate pleas from crime victims.

Pardons. Hoping to avoid negative publicity, NEWSOM granted 14 pardons, 13 commutations and eight medical reprieves for murderers and their helpers, bank robbers, armed robbers, kidnappers, killers for hire, and assaulters with firearms, on a Friday before the Memorial Day Holiday, 2021.

Crime victims did not volunteer to become victims. Crime victims suffer multiple times during the arduous process of the criminal justice system. First when the crime is perpetrated and then during the trauma of the criminal justice system, especially if the perpetrator does not suffer just consequences. If a perpetrator is let out earlier than what a crime victim believed he/she was going to serve, the crime victim suffers again. NEWSOM does not care or get this point. His “compassion” is misdirected. Worst of all, he uses crime victims as human props then callously discards them when they no longer serve his purpose.

Property crime is soaring. Loss of property is not “victimless.” Property crime can, in an instant, turn into violent crime. Taxpayers must bear the burden of paying for the criminal justice system and for the incarceration if the offenders are convicted. Especially as businesses are struggling during the pandemic, business owners are forced to spend money to keep criminals out and suffer losses for stolen or damaged goods. Small businesses, which operate on razor thin margins, are often forced to close when they become repeated victims of crime. Finally, consumers pay for the increased costs in goods and services and suffer when they lose a convenient location to shop. The ravage of property crimes disproportionately affects the poor and minorities who do not have the luxury of delivery services. For these families, even a small rise in costs can make a difference in whether the family eats or not.

Vehicle theft is out of control under NEWSOM’s reign. Last year in California, someone lost a vehicle every three minutes. Vehicle thefts hurt poor people the most. The top three models of most stolen vehicles in California are not Bentleys or BMWs, but rather late model Honda Civics that are 20 years old. For those who own these cars, they cannot afford to replace them, especially during this pandemic where used car prices are soaring at a record rate. The stolen car is likely the only car in their household, which may affect whether they can get to work or not. A car theft can destroy the victim’s livelihood.

Fentanyl Crisis. NEWSOM’s support of anti-public safety laws and parole of drug dealers are creating an environment that is flooding our communities with dangerous drugs that are killing people.

Homelessness. NEWSOM’s failure on the homeless issue has driven up crime. California has the highest homeless population of all states, 161,548 as of 2020 (according to the U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness). In Los Angeles alone, crime involving the homeless, as

the suspect or the victim, represents eight percent of all crime in 2021. Considering the total homeless population, this is disproportionately high. Crime involving the homeless is steadily increasing. In 2018, six percent of all crime involved the homeless which soon rose to seven percent in 2019. Not only are crimes committed by those who are homeless, but the lack of a home leaves many vulnerable persons to become victims.

Schools. Finally, wealthy people like NEWSOM never stopped sending their children to private school while the rest of the population, with children in public school, were placed in desperate situations. Lack of education results in the rise of crime, and it will have lasting effects on future public safety. Teachers, as mandatory reporters, are often the first ones to rescue physically and sexually abused children. Juvenile offenders, not in school, have more time to commit crimes. Most children cannot or do not learn by watching lessons on a computer. NEWSOM recently said, trying to pass the buck on the rise in crime to local law enforcement, “I wasn’t smart enough to go to law school. I couldn’t pass the LSAT.” Since even a broken clock is right twice a day, NEWSOM is correct when he says he wasn’t smart enough to go to law school. In fact, he’s not even smart enough to know the LSAT is not a pass-fail test, rather a scored aptitude test. NEWSOM is not smart enough to be a governor.

Wildfires. Our beautiful state is literally on fire. In June 2020, PG&E pleaded guilty to 84 counts of involuntary manslaughter and admitted causing the 2018 Northern California fire, the most destructive fire in California history. NEWSOM’s defense may be that he was “only” the lieutenant government in 2018; however, as governor, instead of fixing the problems to prevent further death of people and pets and destruction of property, he exerted control over a powerful state agency that is supposed to be independent and micromanaged decisions big and small. His actions delayed and prevented reforms from taking place in a timely manner. PG&E eventually

filed for bankruptcy and got out of paying \$200 million in fines under NEWSOM's watch by his appointees. During their bankruptcy, PG&E gave \$2.1 million in political donations to California politicians. In 2019, NEWSOM accepted over \$200,000 in political donates from PG&E, knowing that the company had killed 84 people. Without considering the ethical concerns, NEWSOM inhumanely accepted the "blood money" from PG&E, and his appointees allowed PG&E to escape punishment of restitution. Finally, when NEWSOM released 76,000 inmates, he decreased the number and incentives of inmate firefighters who volunteer to fight fires in California. In turn, the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation have and will close up to eight inmate fire camps.

PRAYER FOR SENTENCE:

The People of the State of California wish to inform NEWSOM and all politicians that they serve at our pleasure, and they will be removed for incompetence or malfeasance. NEWSOM must be fired on September 14, 2021, and he must be removed from his position as a governor.

COUNT 1 – Dereliction of Duty on Violent Crime

The People of State of California in 58 counties therein hereby make the following accusation:

That defendant NEWSOM, on or about January 7, 2019, to present, in the State of California, committed dereliction of duty, absolute incompetence, and failure of leadership, in violation of trust of the People of California, especially crime victims, which resulted in out-of-control rise in violent crimes, including a 31 percent increase in homicide rates and a sharp increase in violent crimes.

COUNT 2 - Dereliction of Duty on Prisoner Release

The People of State of California in 58 counties therein hereby make the following accusation:

That defendant NEWSOM, on or about January 7, 2019, to present, in the State of California, committed dereliction of duty, absolute incompetence, and failure of leadership, in violation of trust of the People of California, especially crime victims, by releasing 76,000 felons, including many with serious and/or violent convictions on their record. In 2019 and 2020, under NEWSOM, more than one-third of prisoners (almost 5,000) were granted parole, after a parole hearing, despite opposition from law enforcement and desperate pleas from crime victims.

COUNT 3 - Dereliction of Duty on Pardons

The People of State of California in 58 counties therein hereby make the following accusation:

That defendant NEWSOM, on or about January 7, 2019, to present, in the State of California, committed dereliction of duty, absolute incompetence, and failure of leadership, in violation of trust of the People of California, especially crime victims, by granting 14 pardons, 13 commutations and eight medical reprieves for murderers and their helpers, bank robbers, armed robbers, kidnappers, killers for hire, and assaulters with firearms.

COUNT 4 - Dereliction of Duty on Property Crimes

The People of State of California in 58 counties therein hereby make the following accusation:

That defendant NEWSOM, on or about January 7, 2019, to present, in the State of California, committed dereliction of duty, absolute incompetence, and failure of leadership, in violation of trust of the People of California, especially crime victims, by consistently supporting laws and policies that have resulted in soaring property crimes.

COUNT 5 - Dereliction of Duty on Car Theft

The People of State of California in 58 counties therein hereby make the following accusation:

That defendant NEWSOM, on or about January 7, 2019, to present, in the State of California, committed dereliction of duty, absolute incompetence, and failure of leadership, in violation of trust of the People of California, especially crime victims, by consistently supporting laws and policies that have resulted in a total of 180,939 vehicles stolen in 2020, with an estimated total value of \$1.6 billion. This means that a vehicle was stolen every three minutes in California.

COUNT 6 - Dereliction of Duty on Fentanyl

The People of State of California in 58 counties therein hereby make the following accusation:

That defendant NEWSOM, on or about January 7, 2019, to present, in the State of California, committed dereliction of duty, absolute incompetence, and failure of leadership, in violation of trust of the People of California, especially crime victims, by supporting anti-public safety laws and releasing drug dealers which led to the increase of dangerous drugs in our community and the rise in fentanyl related cases.

COUNT 7 - Dereliction of Duty on Homelessness

The People of State of California in 58 counties therein hereby make the following accusation:

That defendant NEWSOM, on or about January 7, 2019, to present, in the State of California, committed dereliction of duty, absolute incompetence, and failure of leadership, in violation of trust of the People of California, especially crime victims, by failing to curb the homeless issues, which contributes to the rise in crime.

COUNT 8 – Unlawful Interference Regarding PG & E

The People of State of California in 58 counties therein hereby make the following accusation:

That defendant NEWSOM, on or about January 7, 2019, to present, in the State of California, committed dereliction of duty, absolute incompetence, and failure of leadership, in violation of trust of the People of California, especially crime victims, by micromanaging an “independent” agency in decisions big and small, delaying and preventing timely reform, and accepting unethical “blood money” donations from PG&E that pleaded guilty to 84 counts of felony involuntary manslaughter.

COUNT 9 - Dereliction of Duty Creating Diminished Consequences

The People of State of California in 58 counties therein hereby make the following accusation:

That defendant NEWSOM, on or about January 7, 2019, to present, in the State of California, committed dereliction of duty, absolute incompetence, and failure of leadership, in violation of trust of the People of California, especially crime victims, by supporting propositions, signing laws, and giving executive orders that increase crime and diminishes consequences.