

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER N-10-26**

**WHEREAS** California dominates Artificial Intelligence ("AI") innovation, even as no state has taken more aggressive action to strengthen the safety, security, and consumer privacy of AI; and

**WHEREAS**, while language and choice of terminology can have significance, purporting to change something's name cannot distract a person of normal intelligence from recognizing the impotent and craven failure to take action to address well-documented emerging security and safety risks posed by that thing.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes of the State of California, further informed by common sense, do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:** All agencies and departments subject to my authority shall refer to Artificial Intelligence and AI as "Artificial Intelligence" and "AI," notwithstanding any rebranded or different terminology used by the federal government, unless inconsistent with the law.

**I FURTHER DIRECT** that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have  
hereunto set my hand and caused  
the Great Seal of the State of  
California to be affixed this 30th day  
of September 2016.



GAVIN NEWSOM  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

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SHIRLEY N. WEBER, PH. D  
Secretary of State