

STATE OF MONTANA OCT 15 1992
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 20-91 MONTANA

EXECUTIVE ORDER CONTINUING AND REAPPOINTING
THE ELECTION ADVISORY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Election Advisory Council was created by Executive Order No. 14-89, effective June 1, 1989; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 13-1-201, MCA, the Secretary of State is the chief election officer and responsible to obtain and maintain uniformity in the application, operation and interpretation of election laws other than those in Title 13, parts 35, 36, and 37, MCA; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 13-1-301, MCA, the Clerk and Recorders are designated as the local election officers unless otherwise specified by the local governing body; and

WHEREAS, it is important to maintain good communications between the Secretary of State and the Clerk and Recorders so as to facilitate a cooperative effort to ensure the proper and fair conduct of state and local elections; and

WHEREAS, Sections 13-1-202, MCA authorizes the Secretary of State to interpret the election laws and prescribe forms and materials for elections. He is required to consult with local election administrators and printers in designing the required forms; and

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State has requested that the Election Advisory Council be continued and has recommended members to serve on such a Council; and

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State has provided written assurances to the Office of the Governor that there is sufficient and appropriate funding from the Secretary of State's budget to conduct the affairs of such Election Advisory Council; and

WHEREAS, the 1991 Legislature has amended 2-15-122, MCA, giving authority to appoint advisory councils to the Secretary of State effective October 1, 1991.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STAN STEPHENS, Governor of the State of Montana, by virtue of the authority vested in me pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Montana, including Section 2-15-122, MCA, do hereby continue and reappoint the Election Advisory Council.

I. PURPOSE

The council shall in conjunction with the Secretary of State's office review election procedures and prescribe and recommend to the Secretary of State possible improvements to the forms and materials used by election administrators. The council shall recommend possible legislation for the improvement of election laws and procedures, and shall consult with the Secretary of State in the development of rules concerning the election process.

II. COMPOSITION

The following members shall serve terms as outlined in this order:

Ms. Karen Amende
Powder River County
P.O. Box J
Broadus, MT 59317

Ms. Coral Cummings
Lincoln County
512 California
Libby, MT 59923

Ms. Wendy Cromwell
Missoula County
201 West Broadway
Missoula, MT 59802

Mr. Bill Driscoll
Silver Bow County
115 West Granite
Butte, MT 59701

Ms. Nancy J. Harte
Secretary of State's Office
Capitol Station
Helena, MT 59620

Ms. Betty Lund
Ravalli County
Courthouse Box 5002
Hamilton, MT 59840

Ms. Carol Malone
Daniels County
Box 247
Scobey, MT 59263

Ms. Debbie Pallett
Fergus County
712 W. Main Street
Lewistown, MT 59475

Mr. Charles W. Walk
Montana Newspaper Assn.
1900 N. Main Suite C
Helena, MT 59601

Ms. Peggy J. Zielie
Yellowstone County
Box 35000
Billings, MT 59107

III. TRAVEL

The Council budget is to be paid by the Secretary of State's office. Expenditure of funds shall comply with Montana statutes and administrative rules.

IV. DURATION

The Council will exist until September 30, 1991, unless continued by the Secretary of State. This order is effective immediately.

V. TERMINATION OF PRIOR EXECUTIVE ORDER

Any provisions of prior executive orders relating to the Election Advisory Council are hereby superceded by the provision of this Order.

GIVEN under my hand and Great SEAL of the State of Montana on this 4th day of September, in the year of our LORD, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-one.



STAN STEPHENS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:


MIKE COONEY, SECRETARY OF STATE