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EXECUTIVE ORDER ESTABLISHING THE GOVERNOR'S INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR STATE ADMINISTERED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

WHEREAS, economic growth and the creation of new jobs is of extreme importance to the future of Montana; and

WHEREAS, legislative efforts at both the state and national levels have created a multitude of economic development related programs and assigned responsibility for the administration of these programs to a variety of separate state agencies; and

WHEREAS, the public good would best be served by a coordinated effort in the application of those programs designed to improve Montana's economic vitality through the stimulation of economic growth and creation of new jobs; and

WHEREAS, it has been the policy of this administration to streamline the delivery of government services for the purpose of enhancing effectiveness and reducing costs; and

WHEREAS, the creation of an interagency coordinating council composed of representatives of those lead state agencies with specific program responsibility for the stimulation of economic growth and the creation of new jobs would serve to enhance the overall effectiveness of the state's economic development efforts.

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 establish the Governor's Interagency Coordinating Council for State Administered Economic Development Programs.

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this council is as follows: (1) to collect and consolidate information on all state administered programs designed to stimulate economic growth and create new jobs; (2) to prepare a comprehensive update of the Guide to Economic Development Programs, currently produced by the Montana Department of Commerce, to be disseminated to all agencies and individuals in both the public and private sector who are formally involved in the promotion of economic growth and the creation of new jobs in the State of Montana; (3) to identify any program incompatibilities, duplications, and inadequacies, as well as assessing program needs and to prepare recommendations for the 1993 legislative session on how to improve program coordination and service delivery in the area of state administered economic development programs; and (4) to make recommendations to the Governor regarding potential strategies designed to achieve greater cooperation and coordination in the administration of economic development related programs administered by all levels of government, as well as the private sector.

II. COMPOSITION The council shall initially be composed of the following members who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor:

Lt. Gov. Dennis Rehberg Lt. Governor's Office State Capital Building Helena, Montana 59620

Charles Brooke, Director Montana Department of Commerce 1424 9th Avenue Helena, Montana 59620

Mike Micone, Commissioner Montana Department of Labor Lockey and Roberts Helena, Montana 59620

Everett Snortland, Commissioner Montana Department of Agriculture 6th and Roberts Helena, Montana 59620

Karen Barclay, Director Department of Natural Resources & Conservation 1520 East Sixth Avenue Helena, Montana 59620

Julia Robinson, Director Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services 111 Sanders, Room 301 Helena, Montana 59620

John Rothwell, Director Department of Transportation 2701 Prospect Avenue Helena, Montana 59620

John Hutchinson, Commissioner of Higher Education 33 S. Last Chance Gulch Helena, Montana 59601

The Lieutenant Governor shall serve as Chairman of the Council.

Additional agencies, organizations, or other individuals may be added to the council as appropriate by subsequent Executive Orders.

III. <u>DURATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE</u> The Council shall complete its purpose and cease to exist December 31, 1992 unless otherwise ordered by subsequent Executive Order. This Order is effective immediately.

> GIVEN under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the State of Montana, this 19th day of September, in the year of our LORD, One thousand, Nine hundred and Ninety-one.

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STAN STEPHENS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST: 71

MIKE COONEY, SECRETARY OF STATE