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Richard D. Lamm,
Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER

WHEREAS, State programs that directly affect women in Colorado are administered by several State executive agencies; and

WHEREAS, program resources and funding for women's programs in state government need to be coordinated; and

WHEREAS, more effective interdepartmental coordination of women's programs will help eliminate duplication, establish clear priorities, and provide momentum for new program development; and

WHEREAS, The Colorado Commission on Women is the State Agency most likely to provide necessary coordination; and

WHEREAS, the directors of state departments which have an impact on issues affecting women are a resource which the Colorado Commission on Women should utilize; and

WHEREAS, The Colorado Commission on Women has been inhibited in coordination and consultation efforts in the past because of informal links to other executive agencies;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Richard D. Lamm, Governor of the State of Colorado, by virtue of the authority vested in me under the laws of the State of Colorado, do hereby order that:

1. The Executive Directors of the following State Departments shall serve as ex-officio members of the Colorado Commission on Women:
 - A. Department of Social Services
 - B. Department of Education
 - C. Department of Personnel
 - D. Department of Health
 - E. Department of Labor
 - F. Department of Higher Education
2. The ex-officio members shall attend all official meetings of the Colorado Commission on Women, except that if an ex-officio member is unable to attend, he/she shall notify the Commission and designate a replacement from their department who shall attend the meeting.

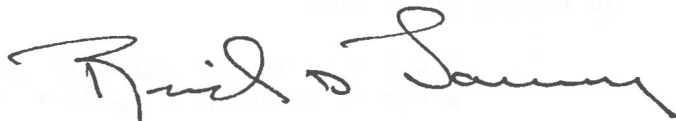
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3. The ex-officio members shall advise the Commissioners on current programs, budgets, and policies which directly affect women in Colorado.
4. The ex-officio members shall work with the Commissioners in coordinating existing women's programs, providing information relevant to Commission business or studies, and advising the Commission on the development of any new programs.
5. I hereby reaffirm my commitment to ensure that the Commission will be comprised of both women and men who are broadly representative of various social, economic and racial groups in the state, and a variety of philosophical viewpoints and geographic areas of the state, particularly rural communities and the Western Slope. The Commission should represent a wide variety of fields of interest to women, including persons experienced in public affairs, private industry, and volunteer activities.
6. I hereby urge the Commission to consider the opinions of the ex-officio members established by this Order and to coordinate Commission activities with other State programs and policies.
7. I further urge the Commission to continue its policy whereby the Commission will not participate in electoral issues contrary to the policy of the Colorado Supreme Court for the District of Colorado in Mountain States Legal Foundation v Denver School District No. 1, 459 F. Supp. 357 (D.Colo. 1978)

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of Colorado, this 10th day of April, A.D., 1980.



Richard D. Lamm
Governor