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## EXECUTIVE ORDER

## ESTABLISHING THE SMALL BUSINESS COUNCIL

- WHEREAS, small businesses are the economic backbone of the Colorado economy; and
- WHEREAS, small businesses provide needed services and products and employ thousands of Colorado citizens; and
- WHEREAS, small businesses in manufacturing, tourism, agriculture, construction, finance, transportation, real estate, insurance and services have played a vital role in the progressive development of Colorado; and
- WHEREAS, small businesses have significantly contributed to the development of a stable, diverse Colorado economy; and
- WHEREAS, no state mechanism exists to identify the needs and problems of small businesses; and
- WEEREAS, the leadership of small businesses should be used to improve state government and its relationship to small business;

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 CREATE a Small Business Council, amending Executive Order #B000379, for the following purposes:

- Provide a public forum at which the views of the small business person and other experts can be brought to the attention of the state.
- At the request of the Governor, identify any special problems confronting small businesses in Colorado that can be solved by executive agencies.
- 3. Make recommendations for regulatory and statutory changes needed at all levels of government to encourage the initiation, stability and growth of small business enterprises.
- Identify areas of greatest need for the allocation of existing federal and state funds earmarked to assist small businesses.

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5. Provide periodic evaluation of proposed and existing state and federal programs and laws designed to assist or which affect small businesses.

The Small Business Council shall be composed of no more than thirtythree members appointed by the Governor and serving at the pleasure of the Governor as follows:

- 1. Four members, one from each of the four economic regions of the state, as defined by the Department of Local Affairs, Division of Commerce and Development.
- The remaining members representing as far as possible the state's industrial sectors: agriculture, mining, construction, manufacturing, transportation, wholesaling, retailing, tourism, finance, insurance, real estate, utilities, services, and high technology.

The council shall meet at least quarterly in Denver to pursue its work and submit its findings and recommendations to the Governor. Members of the council shall serve without salary or reimbursement for expenses associated with the council's work. The chairman of the council shall be appointed by the Governor.

Agencies of state government shall cooperate fully with the council in pursuing its work. Staff assistance to the council shall be provided by the Division of Commerce and Development within limitations of the division's resources.

This order supercedes any previous Executive Order relating to or establishing a Small Business Council.

The Small Business Council shall be terminated not later than April 10, 1985, unless reviewed by the Governor for appropriate action prior to that date.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this twenty-seventh day of June, A.D. 1983.

Richard D. Lamm

Governor

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