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EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

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RICHARD D. LAMM
Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER GOVERNOR'S TASK FORCE FOR EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

WHEREAS, public education is the backbone of our culture and our economy; and

WHEREAS, public education has come under intense scrutiny and criticism; and

WHEREAS, Colorado has frequently been in the forefront of educational innovation and has a deep concern and dedication to the education of its young people; and

WHEREAS, there is an established need to involve the private sector in solving the educational problems; and

WHEREAS, no statewide mechanism exists to develop a package of recommendations to provide for and enhance the concept of excellence in education in the public schools;

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. There be created a Governor's Task Force for Excellence in Education which shall consist of up to forty members. Members shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The Governor shall serve as co-chair and shall appoint a second co-chair. Members of the task force shall serve without compensation or reimbursement for expenses associated with the work of the task force.
2. The task force shall perform the following functions:
 - a. review the recommendations and findings of other studies and commissions to determine which are needed for public schools in Colorado;
 - b. provide a forum at which the views of the private sector and other consumers and purveyors of education can be brought to the attention of the state; and
 - c. make recommendations for regulatory and statutory changes at all levels of educational governance to improve the quality of public education in Colorado.
3. The task force shall meet at least monthly to pursue its work and submit its findings and recommendations to the Governor by January 1, 1984. Agencies of the state government shall cooperate fully with the task force in pursuing its work. Staff assistance shall be provided by the Governor's Office and the Department of Education.
4. The Governor's Task Force for Excellence in Education shall be terminated not later than January 1, 1984, 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 fifth day of August, A.D., 1983.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Lamm".

Richard D. Lamm
Governor