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ESTABLISHING THE COLORADO MEDICARE-MEDICAID FRAUD UNIT AND THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR FOR SAID OFFICE

- WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States has provided by the Medicaid-Medicare Anti-Fraud and Abuse Amendments of 1977 (P.L. 95-142) 90% federal funds for qualifying Medicaid fraud control units; and
- WHEREAS, the Colorado District Attorneys Council and the Attorney General have jointly formulated a proposed Medicaid fraud control unit that will qualify for the federal funds under the said Act of Congress; and,
- WHEREAS, Medicaid fraud has been recognized throughout the nation and in this State as a major problem with respect to which increased investigative and prosecutorial resources are much needed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I Richard D. Lamm, Governor of the State of Colorado, do hereby create, pursuant to the power vested in me by Article IV, Sections 2, 6, and 22 of the Colorado Constitution, effective May 2, 1978, the Colorado Medicaid Fraud Control Unit and the position of director of the Colorado Medicaid Fraud Control Unit. The functions of the office will include the following:

- (1) Investigate and prosecute, pursuant to an agreement between the Colorado District Attorneys Council and the Attorney General, individuals for violations of the law with respect to fraud in the provision or administration of Medical Assistance under a State Plan implementing Title XIX of the Social Security Act.
- (2) Perform the investigative, prosecutorial and regulatory responsibilities specifically set forth in 42 C.F.R. §450.310(f).

FURTHER, the Director of the Colorado Medicaid Fraud Control Unit shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor, the Attorney General, and the Colorado District Attorneys Council and shall have full administrative authority for the direction of the Colorado Medicaid Fraud Control Unit.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of Colorado, this 2d day of May, 1978.

OF COU

RICHARD D. LAMM, Governor State of Colorado