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EXECUTIVE ORDER PROCLAMATION CALL FOR FIRST EXTRAORDINARY SESSION of the FIFTY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

WHEREAS, Section 9 of Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Colorado provides that "The Governor may, on extraordinary occasions convene the General Assembly, by Proclamation, stating therein the purpose for which it is to assemble; but at such special session no business shall be transacted other than that specially named in the proclamation," and Section 7 of Article V of the Constitution provides that "The General Assembly shall meet at other times when convened in special session by the Governor;" and

WHEREAS, in the opinion of the Governor, an extraordinary occasion has now arisen and now exists as a result of cancellation of automobile liability and general liability insurance for the State of Colorado on September 15, 1985, requiring the state to self-insure for both types of coverage; and

WHEREAS, the Attorney General of the State of Colorado has expressed the opinion that additional statutory and budgetary authority is required to establish a long-term program of state self-insurance; and

WHEREAS, the difficulties encountered by public entities at all levels of government in obtaining insurance, combined with the ambiguous applicability of protections of the Governmental Immunity Act to officers and employees of public entities, has heightened the concern of public officers and employees regarding their personal liability for acts or omissions committed within the scope of their employment; and

WHEREAS, immediate legislative action is required to establish a self-insurance program for the state and to clarify the Governmental Immunity Act;

