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CONTINUING THE COLORADO MEDICAID FRAUD CONTROL UNIT IN THE COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF LAW

Roy Romer Governor

WHEREAS, the Colorado Medicaid Program was established to assist eligible low income individuals in securing necessary medical care; and

WHEREAS, the State of Colorado has a substantial interest in the financial integrity of the Medicaid Program and the safety of medicaid patients; and

WHEREAS, federal law 42 U.S.C. 1396 and prior executive orders of this office have provided a mechanism for operation of a state medicaid fraud control unit charged with the responsibility for prosecution of medicaid fraud and patient abuse cases; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Colorado has authority pursuant to section 24-31-101(1)(a), C.R.S. to require the Attorney General of Colorado to represent the state in civil and criminal matters:

NOW, THEREFORE, under and pursuant to authority vested in me by section 24-31-101(1)(a), C.R.S., I, Roy Romer, Governor of the State of Colorado, ratify and approve the continuation of the Colorado Medicaid Fraud Control Unit within the Office of the Attorney General and, further, require the Attorney General of the State of Colorado to investigate and prosecute medicaid fraud and patient abuse cases either in his capacity as attorney general, or when so designated, acting in the capacity of a special deputy district attorney; and, invest the Attorney General with the necessary civil and criminal authority under section 24-31-101(1)(a), C.R.S.



GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of Colorado this 4th day of March, 1987.

RUY/ROMER Governor