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EXECUTIVE ORDER

Governor

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the U.S. Department of Health and WHEREAS, Services administers the Low-Income Energy Program (LIEAP) Assistance under Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981 (P.L. 97-35); and

the Colorado Department of Social Services is WHEREAS, the state recipient of funds for the LIEAP Program;

there is a need for a comprehensive response WHEREAS, assisting Colorado's low-income promote consumers and to self-sufficiency through a combination of purchase assistance and residential conservation assistance ("weatherization");

the Low-Income Energy Assistance Act of 1989 WHEREAS, allows up to fifteen (15) percent of the funds to be used for low-cost residential weatherization or other energy-related home repair for low-income households;

it has been determined that the provision of WHEREAS, weatherization services residential provide long-range benefits for Colorado's low-income households;

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Library the Division of Housing in the Colorado WHEREAS, Department of Local Affairs has the capacity provide residential and expertise to weatherization services to low-income households;

a need exists to coordinate Colorado's energy assistance efforts to ensure they meet state the development of a goals for sufficient population and a sound energy policy;

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NOW, THEREFORE, I, Roy Romer, Governor of the State of Colorado, pursuant to the authority vested in me under the Constitution and laws of the State of Colorado, DO HEREBY ORDER THAT:

- 1. The Colorado Department of Local Affairs is designated the responsible agency to administer a residential weatherization program.
- Colorado's Weatherization Program for low-income households shall be administered in accordance with all federal laws and regulations.
- Within 90 days after receiving Low Income Energy Assistance funds for federal fiscal year 1992 from the federal government, the Department of Social Services shall transfer 15 percent of those funds to the Department of Local Affairs for weatherization program services. In addition, an amount equal to 7 percent of this amount shall be transferred for administrative support.
- 4. Pursuant to this transfer of LIEAP funds, the Department of Local Affairs and the Department of Social Services shall each undertake a review of their respective energy assistance programs. These reviews shall examine the effectiveness of the programs and propose possible options for improving service.
- 5. These reports shall be delivered to the Governor's Office no later than January 15, 1992. The data and conclusions of the reports shall serve a five-fold purpose:
 - a. to improve the effectiveness of Colorado's energy assistance programs, including promoting the goal of self-sufficiency;
 - b. to align Colorado's energy assistance programs with a broader state energy policy;
 - c. to provide guidance for transferring LIEAP funds between agencies in subsequent years and to identify ways of improving coordination between the two programs.

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- d. to examine ways of making Colorado's energy assistance program more effective; and
- e. to identify new collaborative efforts that promote the four preceding goals.



GIVEN under my hand and the Executive seal of the State of Colorado, this 30th day of August, 1991

Roy Romer Governor