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Roy Romer Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER

ESTABLISHING THE GOVERNOR'S ADVOCATE CORPS

- WHEREAS, the citizens of the State of Colorado are entitled to have a state government that is concerned and responsive to the needs of individuals within our state;
- WHEREAS, there is often confusion among the citizens of the State of Colorado about where to go in state government to get answers to their questions, concerns and complaints;
- WHEREAS, there is a need to have an identified corps of key personnel empowered throughout state government to serve as problem solvers for citizens of this state;
- WHEREAS, citizens should have a direct and clear method of registering their complaints and problems about state government and for resolving their problems with state government;
- WHEREAS, as Governor, I am committed to an open government which can be held accountable to the citizens of the state;
- WHEREAS, the Governor's Advocate Corps is an effort to reduce bureaucratic red tape and to make state government more responsive to the needs of its citizens; and
- WHEREAS, the Governor's Advocate Corps will serve a vital function in state government.
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Roy Romer, Governor of the State of Colorado, under the authority vested in me by the constitution and the laws of the State of Colorado, do hereby order that:
 - 1. The Governor's Advocate Corps is hereby established, effective July 1, 1993, for state government.

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- This corps will be comprised of key personnel, assigned in each department of state government, who will report directly to the executive director of each department and be empowered to resolve concerns and complaints of citizens.
- 3. Every staff person employed by the Office of the Governor also will have personal responsibility for responding to and resolving citizen concerns, questions and complaints.
- 4. This corps will be coordinated by, and responsive to, the Office of the Governor and, in particular, to a Governor's Advocate Corps Coordinator who will be located in the Governor's Office.
- 5. The Governor's Advocate Corps coordinator will be responsible for ensuring that state government is responsive to the needs of citizens of the state, and for coordinating all questions, concerns and complaints by citizens to the Office of the Governor. The coordinator will be responsible for ensuring that all questions, concerns and complaints are responded to, either by staff of the Governor or by members of the Governor's Advocate Corps assigned to state departments.
- 6. Executive Order D 0054 87, dated December 4, 1987, is hereby rescinded.

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GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado this first day of July, 1993.

Roy Romer Governor