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Roy Romer Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER CREATING THE GOVERNOR'S AIDS COORDINATING COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome ("AIDS") has claimed the lives of over 1100 Colorado citizens and HIV, the virus which causes AIDS, has infected as many as 15,000 Coloradans; and

WHEREAS, the AIDS/HIV epidemic will continue to have broad personal, social, public health and economic impacts in our state throughout the remainder of the century; and

WHEREAS, addressing these impacts is a shared responsibility among all sectors of the community; and

WHEREAS, coordination, cooperation and collaboration among all sectors is essential to mounting an effective response to the AIDS/HIV epidemic; and

WHEREAS, working together will help to prevent inadequate program responses, duplication of effort, gaps in services and inefficient use of resources;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Roy Romer, Governor of Colorado, by virtue of the authority vested in me under the laws of Colorado, DO HEREBY ORDER THAT:

- The Governor's AIDS Coordinating Council is created, which will consist of 20 members representing public and private, profit and non-profit sectors and affected populations. All members shall be appointed by the Governor for three-year staggered terms and shall serve without compensation.
- 2. The Coordinating Council shall have the following duties:
 - a. Develop and maintain policy and procedures for the Council's operation.

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- b. Serve as an expert resource on AIDS/HIVrelated matters and provide advice to the Governor and General Assembly on policy and state government response on an ongoing basis.
- c. Develop additional technical resources through creation of Technical Advisory Groups composed of experts and representatives of affected populations whose members will serve at the Governor's request.
- d. Direct implementation of the recommendations presented in the <u>Report on AIDS in Colorado:</u> Impact, Implications, and Recommendations.
- Advocate for funding, legislation and programs on behalf of those affected by the AIDS/HIV epidemic.
- f. Actively promote networking, coordination and cooperation among service and resource providers.
- g. Advise both AIDS/HIV-related program funders and recipients to assure efficient, effective and coordinated allocation and utilization of resources for state AIDS programs.
- 3. The Council shall determine meeting times and places necessary for fulfilling its duties. The council shall submit annual reports of its work and the status of state response to the Governor.
- This Executive Order supercedes Executive Order B 031 88 in its entirety.

Given under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this sixteenth day of January, 1991.

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