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EXECUTIVE ORDER

Continuing the Small Business Council

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Office of the Governor of the State of Colorado, I, John W. Hickenlooper, Governor of the State of Colorado, hereby issue this Executive Order continuing the Small Business Council within the Governor's Office of Economic Development and International Trade.

I. Background and Need

Small businesses throughout the State and across business sectors play a vital role in the development and continuation of a stable and diverse Colorado economy. The leadership of the small business community should be utilized to improve State government's relationship with small businesses. To meet this objective, I issue this order continuing the Small Business Council (the "Council") within the Governor's Office of Economic Development and International Trade.

II. Membership

- A. The Council shall include no more than twenty-five members of the small business community, and at least half of the Council shall be small business owners. The members may include residents of the Metro Denver Area and residents from each of the following four regions of the State: Northeast, Southeast, Northwest, and Southwest. Efforts will be made to ensure representation from all areas of the State.
- B. Members of the Council shall be appointed to serve terms of three years. Members shall serve no more than two consecutive terms.

III. Duties

A. The Council shall:

- 1. Host four to six community forums throughout the State through which the perspective of small businesses and communities can be brought to the attention of the State;
- 2. Review and discuss results of community forums at quarterly meetings.

- 3. Serve as a resource to the Office of Economic Development and International Trade, the General Assembly, and the Governor on statewide small business issues;
- 4. Identify any unique problems confronting small businesses in Colorado that can be remedied by executive agencies;
- 5. Make recommendations for regulatory changes that would serve to encourage the initiation, stability, and growth of small businesses in Colorado; and
- 6. Serve as the State Small Business Development Center Advisory Board, which will advise the Small Business Development Centers throughout the State on the small business community needs and funding opportunities.
- B. The Council shall meet as needed to pursue its work and submit findings and recommendations to the Office of Economic Development and International Trade.
- C. Council members shall not receive compensation for their service.

IV. Directive

The Small Business Council is hereby continued, without interruption. All other Executive Orders concerning the Council, specifically B 014 08 and B 006 03, are hereby superseded and replaced by this Executive Order.

V. Duration

This Executive Order shall remain in effect until modified or rescinded by a future Executive Order of the Governor.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado this tenth day of January, 2014.

John W. Hickenlooper

Governor