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EXECUTIVE ORDER

CONTINUING THE COLORADO ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AIDS

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Office of the Governor of the State of Colorado, I, Bill Owens, Governor of the State of Colorado, hereby issue this Executive Order continuing the Colorado Advisory Council on AIDS.

1. Background and Need

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (“AIDS”) has infected more than 7,500 Colorado citizens and has claimed the lives of more than 4,300 citizens. Human Immunodeficiency Virus (“HIV”), the virus that causes AIDS, has infected approximately 13,000 Coloradans. The AIDS/HIV epidemic will continue to have broad personal, social, public health and economic impacts in our state for the foreseeable future.

Addressing these impacts is a shared responsibility among all sectors of the public health and AIDS/HIV communities. Coordination, cooperation and collaboration among all sectors is essential to mounting an effective response to the AIDS/HIV epidemic.

2. Council Continued

Pursuant to section 6 of Executive Order B 002 00, I have reviewed and determined to continue the Colorado Advisory Council on Aids established within the Office of the Executive Director of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. This Executive Order ratifies my review and determination that the Council continue effective January 1, 2003.

3. Mission

In the performance of its duties, responsibilities and powers, the Council shall:

- A. Serve as an expert resource on AIDS/HIV related matters and provide advice to the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment on scientific and policy issues, with particular emphasis on matters of treatment and access to medical care for persons with AIDS/HIV;
- B. Promote collaboration, coordination and cooperation among service and resource providers;

- C. Advise both AIDS/HIV related program funds and recipients to assure efficient, effective and coordinated allocation and utilization of resources for state AIDS programs;
- D. Analyze, review and examine AIDS/HIV issues in order to ensure that state resources and programs are efficient and effective;
- E. Determine meeting times and places necessary for fulfilling its duties;
- F. Develop and maintain policy and procedures for the Council's operation;
- G. Submit annual reports of its work and specific reports on scientific and policy issues to the Executive Director of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.

4. Membership and Organization

There shall be no more than 11 members appointed by the Governor for three year staggered terms who shall serve without compensation. All members shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Members shall represent the public and private, profit and non-profit sectors and affected populations.

5. Past Orders Repealed and Superseded

This Executive Order shall repeal and supersede all previous Executive Orders pertaining to the Colorado Advisory Council on AIDS and specifically Executive Orders B 014 95 and B 002 00.

6. Duration

The Council shall continue in existence until December 31, 2004, unless it is either terminated or extended beyond that date by executive order of the Governor.

GIVEN under my hand and the
Executive Seal of the State of
Colorado this 12th day of
March, 2003.

Bill Owens
Governor