STATE of MINNESOTA



JESSE VENTURA GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER 00-10 GOVERNOR'S CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMISSION ON REDISTRICTING

I, JESSE VENTURA, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the applicable statutes, do hereby issue this Executive Order:

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the State of Minnesota requires that new legislative and congressional district boundaries be redrawn after each decennial census; and

WHEREAS, the courts have been involved in every redistricting plan drawn since the 1950s; and

WHEREAS, the fairness and accuracy of how the districts are drawn will affect citizens, geographic regions, interest groups and political parties;

WHEREAS, the extent to which these groups are represented will have significant implications for policy and budgetary decisions made in the next ten years; and

WHEREAS, all citizens have an interest in ensuring that the districts are fair, balanced and competitive;



NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby order the creation of an eleven-member advisory commission including representatives from:

- The DFL, Green, Independence and Republican parties;
- Nonpartisan citizen groups Common Cause and the League of Women Voters;
- Minority groups; and
- Urban, suburban and rural geographic areas

The commission will recommend a redistricting plan to the Governor that will fairly represent the citizens of Minnesota.

The Director of the Minnesota Planning Agency will chair the advisory commission and the agency will provide staff support to the commission.

This Order shall be reviewed by the Governor, in consultation with the affected agency or agencies, every two years in order to assess its reasonableness and need.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 4.035, subd. 2, this Order shall be effective fifteen (15) days after publication in the <u>State Register</u> and filing with the Secretary of State and shall remain in effect until rescinded by proper authority or it expires in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 4.035, subd. 3.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand this fifth day of December 2000.

JESSE VENTURA

Governor .

Filed According to Law:

MARY KIFFMEYE

Secretary of State

