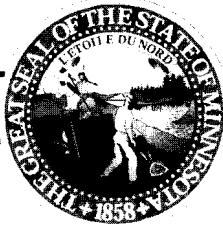


STATE of MINNESOTA

EXECUTIVE

DEPARTMENT



TIM PAWLENTY
GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER 03-08

PROVIDING FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MINNESOTA BIOSCIENCES COUNCIL

I, TIM PAWLENTY, 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 biosciences industry poses the potential for unprecedented growth and vitality to Minnesota's economy;

WHEREAS, Minnesota's history, existing expertise and economic infrastructure make it better prepared than most other states to capitalize on the rapidly emerging biosciences industry and to become a world leader;

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota and its political subdivisions can play a significant role in assisting the continued development of biosciences and related industries in Minnesota and to help attract new biosciences businesses to the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, effective public support for the burgeoning biosciences industry requires input from experts in the field of biosciences including leaders within the biosciences industry, academic institutions and the investment industry.

NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby order the establishment of the Minnesota Biosciences Council.

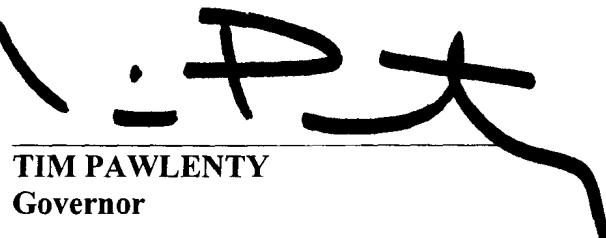
1. The Minnesota Biosciences Council will serve as a biosciences policy advisor to the Governor, will make recommendations on effective state strategies to support the industry and will be a catalyst for the creation, development and retention of biosciences businesses and supportive institutions in Minnesota.

2. The Council shall also:
 - a. Serve as a balanced forum for knowledgeable discussion and evaluation of Minnesota's biosciences industry;
 - b. Develop and provide advice on public policy strategies aimed at enhancing the growth of the biosciences industry in Minnesota;
 - c. Promote greater understanding and support for Minnesota's biosciences industry;
 - d. Serve as an advisor and catalyst for the development of bioscience partnerships between industry, academic institutions, funding groups and other entities; and
 - e. Identify and promote other opportunities that will help grow and retain the biosciences industry in Minnesota.
3. The Council shall be composed of 15 members appointed by the Governor including:
 - a. The Commissioner of Trade and Economic Development, or designee;
 - b. Seven members from the biosciences industry;
 - c. One member from the investment industry;
 - d. Three members from academic institutions; and
 - e. Three members with knowledge or background relative to the Council's mission.
4. The President of the Senate may designate two senators, one Democrat and one Republican, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives may designate two representatives, one a Democrat and one a Republican, to attend and communicate legislative perspectives to the Council.
5. The Commissioner of Trade and Economic Development, or designee, shall serve as the Chair for the Council. At the Commissioner's discretion, the Commissioner may at any time delegate his functions as the Chair to another member of the Council.
6. The Department of Trade and Economic Development shall provide staff support for the Council as needed.
7. Council members shall serve a two-year term. The Governor will fill any vacancies on the Council.

8. Commission members shall serve on a voluntary basis, and are not eligible for payment of expenses from the Governor's office or the Department of Trade and Economic Development.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 2002, section 4.035, subdivision 2, this Executive Order will be effective fifteen (15) days after publication in the State Register and filing with the Secretary of State and will remain in effect, in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 2002, section 4.035, subdivision 3.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand this 13 day of May 2003.


TIM PAWLENTY
Governor

Filed According to Law:


MARY KIFFMEYER
Secretary of State

