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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 6

- WHEREAS: A concern for the condition of the environment is being expressed with increasing frequency; diverse agencies and organizations are redefining their roles; schools are planning for reorganization in curriculum; citizen's groups are seeking ways of becoming usefully involved; and youth, as a potent but as yet latent force, is attempting to organize environmental action groups; and,
- WHEREAS: These disparate groups, as well as individual citizens, are seeking coordination and assistance in the environmental area, especially in the development of a statewide program of environmental education; and,
- WHEREAS: Under the provisions of Public Law 91-516, the Environmental Education Act of 1970, the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Office of Education, funds are available to state planning groups for special evaluation and dissemination grants; and,
- WHEREAS: The Environmental Education Planning Committee, convened by the Governor in May, 1971, has received a grant under said provisions of the Environmental Education Act of 1970; and,
- WHEREAS: It would be beneficial to the State of Minnesota to organize an Environmental Education Council to continue the development of a comprehensive plan for the environmental education of all the citizens of Minnesota,

NOW, THEREFORE, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED: That the "Minnesota Environmental Education Council" be established. That it be composed of no more than thirty persons, who shall by virtue of their training or experience or interest be knowledgeable in the area of environment. That ex-officio members be named to the Council by the Governor as is deemed appropriate.

IT IS FURTHER:

ORDERED: That a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer of the Minnesota Education Council created by this Executive Order shall be elected by majority vote of the Council for a term of one year.

IT IS FURTHER:

ORDERED: That the aforementioned grant from the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Office of Education, to the State of Minnesota, Department of Education, will furnish the staff assistance necessary to carry out the responsibilities imposed by this Executive Order, and that the persons duly appointed as members of the Minnesota Environmental Education Council are to serve for terms beginning this date and serving at the pleasure of the Governor. The Minnesota Environmental Education Council is formed for the purposes of:

representing the views and acting as liaison among the citizens of the state including citizen's groups, business and industry, higher, secondary and elementary education, federal and state agencies, youth organizations and others;

advising and making recommendations on matters of environmental education to the Governor, Commissioner of the State Departments of Education and Natural Resources, U. S. Office of Education and appropriate state and federal legislative committee;

preparing a comprehensive Master Plan for Environmental Education for all citizens of Minnesota in conjunction with joint efforts in environmental education by the Departments of Education and Natural Resources pursuant to direction of the Minnesota Legislature;

implementing such plans as is necessary and deemed appropriate by the Council and the Governor.

WENDELL R. ANDERSON G O V E R N O R

ATTEST:

/s/ Arlen Erdahl

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SECRETARY OF STATE

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