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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 79-4

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Creating the Governor's Committee on the Northeast Minnesota Economic Protection Fund; Repealing Executive Order No. 178

I, Albert H. Quie, Governor of the State of Minnesota, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and applicable statutes, including but not limited to Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 15.0593, do hereby issue this Executive Order:

WHEREAS, the economy of northeastern Minnesota effects that of the entire state; and,

WHEREAS, as recognized by Minnesota Statutes 1978, including but not limited to Sections 298.291 to 298.294, the stability of said economy must be protected and promoted; and,

WHEREAS, the future of the taconite area of Minnesota requires that longrange development goals be established;

NOW, THEREFORE, I order:

 The establishment of the Governor's Committee on the Northeast Minnesota Economic Protection Fund, to address the economic issues.

- a. The Committee shall consist of appropriate representation from the area and three ex-officio members representing the Department of Revenue, the Pollution Control Agency, and the Department of Economic Development.
- b. The members, excluding the ex-officio members, shall be appointed by the Governor. The ex-officio members shall be designated by their respective agencies.
- c. Terms of the members shall be one year.
- d. The chairperson shall be appointed by the Governor.
- e. Expenses and per diem shall not be paid.
- 2. Assessment by the Committee of the desirability of preparation of a comprehensive, long-range economic plan for northeastern Minnesota; and if appropriate, recommendation to the Governor of a means of financing such a plan, whether from the Economic Protection Fund or from other sources.
- Assessment by the Committee of alternative structures for governance of the Economic Protection Fund, with appropriate recommendations to the Governor.
- Recommendations and advice to the Governor on other alternative development objectives relating to the economy of northeastern Minnesota.
- Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sections 4.04 and 7.09 et. seq., respectively, the Committee may receive federal and private funds.

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This order repeals Executive Order No. 178.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 4.035, this order shall be effective 15 days after its publication in the State Register and filing with the Secretary of State and shall remain in effect until it is rescinded by proper authority or it expires in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 4.035 or 15.0593.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand on this ____ day of February 1979.

Albert H. Quie, Governor

Filed according to Law:

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Joan Anderson Growe Secretary of State