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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 79-6

Providing for the Establishment  
of the Governor's Council on  
Fire Prevention and Control;  
Repealing Executive Order No. 187

I, Albert H. Quie, Governor of the State of Minnesota, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and applicable statutes, hereby issue this Executive Order:

WHEREAS, ~~it is vital for state government to encourage the develop-~~ment of the best possible fire protection for the people of the State of Minnesota; and,

WHEREAS, to achieve this goal requires a concerted effort to improve existing delivery systems at state, federal, and local levels and to provide new services and directions; and,

WHEREAS, there presently exists a complex array of agencies and organizations involved in the delivery of fire prevention and control services in Minnesota; and,

WHEREAS, no single state agency coordinates the delivery of these services; and,

WHEREAS, Minnesota can improve the coordination, quantity, and quality of the delivery of these services by creating a liaison body to the United States Fire Administration:

NOW, THEREFORE, I order:

1. That there be established the Governor's Council on Fire Prevention and Control, consisting of 15 members to be appointed by the Governor. Members shall be representatives of persons employed in the fire prevention and control occupations, persons engaged in teaching fire prevention and control, representatives of state and municipal government units, and other special interest groups involved in fire prevention and control on a permanent basis. The following ~~individuals or their designees shall serve in an ex-officio,~~ non-voting capacity: The Commissioner of Public Safety, the Director of the Division of Vocational Technical Education in the Department of Education, the Director of the Division of Forestry in the Department of Natural Resources, the Director of the State Building Code Division in the Department of Administration, the Director of the Division of Emergency Services in the Department of Public Safety, the State Fire Marshal, and the Director of the University of Minnesota Fire Center.
2. That membership terms, removal of members, compensation of members, and filling of vacancies be in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 15.0593.

3. That the Council advise the Governor, the Commissioner of Public Safety, and other state agencies and political subdivisions of the development, administration, and scope of fire protection research and fire prevention and control; the needs of Minnesota's fire suppression and control services; the development and provision of coordinated programs of education and training for such fire suppression and control services and for the general public.
4. That the Council, in performing its duties, shall receive assistance from the Minnesota State Fire Marshal, the Minnesota Department of Education, and other state agencies where appropriate.
5. That the Council shall serve as Minnesota's principal contact with the United States Fire Administration for purposes for the application and receipt of federal funds issued by the United States Fire Administration and shall facilitate direct and accurate communication with the United States Fire Administration. The Council shall disburse such funds to carry out the purposes for which the funds are received in accordance with all laws of the state except where federal laws, rules, or regulations differ.
6. That this order does not preclude other state agencies from applying for, receiving, accepting, and expending funds available through the above-named federal agency where said agencies are authorized under law and independently of this order to accept such funds.

This order repeals Executive Order No. 187.

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, Sections 4.035 or 15.0593.

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

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Albert H. Quie, Governor

Filed According to Law:

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Joan Anderson Growe  
Secretary of State