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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 26

Providing for the establishment of the Minnesota Right To Read Advisory Council.

I, Wendell R. Anderson, 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, the ability to read is absolutely essential to the fulfillment of human potential in today's increasingly complex society; and,

WHEREAS, deficiences in any major area of knowledge can be a crippling factor, an inability to read is overwhelming; and

WHEREAS, without reading skills, a student cannot effectively function in other areas of scholastic endeavor, much less hope for success in post-school employment or in adult life;

## NOW THEREFORE, I order:

- 1. the formation of the Minnesota Right To Read Advisory Council composed of individuals who collectively represent the organizations and other sections of our population who have a vital concern in the conduct and success of the Right To Read Program. The council members shall be appointed by the Governor and will serve at his pleasure. The Governor will name the Chairman of the Council.
- 2. the prime task of the Council to be the broadening of the base of concern in the minds of Minnesota's citizens, to the degree that there will be public interest and demand that significant improvements be accomplished in the area of reading literacy, and that a criterion of excellence in school and school district reading programming be defined.
- 3. the fullest cooperation of the Department of Education with the operations of the Minnesota Right To Read Advisory Council.

This order shall be effective on the date of signature.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand on this tenth day of May, 1972.

Wendell R. Anderson

Filed according to Law:

Arlen I. Erdahl

Secretary of State