STATE OF MINNESOTA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 83-18

PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A
GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON A QUALITY
ENVIRONMENT AND RESOURCE RECYCLING

I, RUDY PERPICH, 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, Minnesotans take pride in their state and have an active concern for maintaining and improving its ecological and economic environment; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that quality environment and a genuine commitment to sound resource utilization will provide a more favorable climate for business enterprise in the state; and

WHEREAS, there is an increasing awareness on the part of individuals and organizations of the need to take greater responsibility for their environment; and

WHEREAS, an organized program of resource recycling and community revitalization would greatly enhance efforts already underway that emphasize our quality of life; and

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WHEREAS, efforts to facilitate and encourage public and private initiatives in these areas are both promising and beneficial;

NOW, THEREFORE, I order:

1. The establishment of the Governor's Council on a Quality Environment, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 15.0593 and other applicable state statutes.

    a. The Council shall be composed of fifteen members appointed by the Governor who shall be experienced or interested in resource recycling and community revitalization.

    b. The chairperson of the Council shall be appointed by the Governor from among the members.

    c. The Commissioners of Agriculture, Education, Natural Resources, Transportation, Energy, Planning and Development, and the Executive Director of the Pollution Control Agency, or their designees, are hereby instructed to work with the Council to accomplish its aims set forth below.

    d. Members of the Council shall not receive per diem, but may be reimbursed for travel and other ordinary and necessary expenses.

2. The Council is charged as follows:

    a. To identify and find ways to coordinate and make more effective existing and proposed programs for recycling.

b. To identify and find ways to coordinate and make more effective existing and proposed programs for community revitalization.

c. To identify and find ways to coordinate and make more effective existing and proposed programs of public information and awareness in these areas.

d. Where necessary to meet identified needs in these areas, to recommend additional programs to augment those already existing or proposed.

e. To coordinate and encourage efforts in both the public and private sector to plant trees, for aesthetic enjoyment and for economic benefit, by maintaining and increasing the urban forest.

f. To plan, organize, coordinate and direct a Keep Minnesota Beautiful Program, and to recommend steps to make this program a continuing effort.

g. To report its accomplishments and recommendations to the Governor and Legislature on or before February 1, 1984.

3. The Council is authorized to solicit, receive and disburse on behalf of the state, funds to further the purposes for which it is established.

4. The chairperson may, subject to approval by the Council, appoint advisory committees composed of individuals who have interest or expertise to assist it in its work. Such appointees shall receive no reimbursement.

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5. The Council may, subject to the availability of funds,
    contract with such individuals and organizations as may
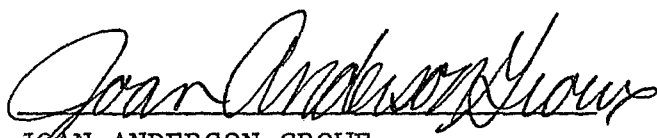   be able to assist in carrying out the duties of the Coun-
    cil.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1982, Section 4.035, this
Order shall be effective 15 days after 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 Section 4.035, Subdivision 3.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 15th day
of March, 1983.

RUDY PERPICH
Governor

Filed According to Law:

JOAN ANDERSON GROWE
Secretary of State

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