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Secretary of State
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RELATING TO ESTABLISHMENT OF THE
KENTUCKY INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS

Whereas, the problem of homelessness has long plagued the Commonwealth of Kentucky; and

Whereas, the existence of homelessness impacts not only those residents who do not have access to housing, but also the economic health and quality of life for all Kentuckians; and

Whereas, the Commonwealth of Kentucky has recently established programs, such as Recovery Kentucky and Safe Havens, that provide housing and services to help eliminate homelessness; and

Whereas, effectively addressing homelessness requires collaboration among state agencies, local governments, the private sector, and service provider networks to coordinate program development, deliver essential services, and provide housing; and

Whereas, while many state departments and agencies are impacted by and work to address the challenges presented by homelessness, there is currently no formally established centralized organization to coordinate and focus the work of those departments and agencies to ensure that state government is coordinating its efforts effectively with the efforts of the federal government, local governments, the private sector, and service provider networks:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ernie Fletcher, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and the provisions of KRS 12.029, do hereby Order and Direct the following:

1. There is hereby created and established the Kentucky Interagency Council on Homelessness ("Council") which shall be responsible planning, developing, coordinating and implementing programs for the purpose of improving the well-being of homeless Kentuckians. The Council shall be attached to the Kentucky Housing Corporation for administrative purposes.

2. The membership of the Council shall include, but is not limited to, the following:

- a) Chief executive officer of Kentucky Housing Corporation;
- b) Secretary of Health and Family Services Cabinet;



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- c) Secretary of Justice and Public Safety Cabinet;
- d) Secretary of Education Cabinet;
- e) Secretary of Transportation Cabinet;
- f) Executive director of Administrative Office of the Courts;
- g) State Budget Director;
- h) Commissioner of Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs;
- i) One member from each house of the Kentucky General Assembly appointed by the Governor; and
- j) Executive director of Homeless and Housing Coalition of Kentucky

3. The Governor shall appoint the Chairperson of the Council who shall serve for a term of two (2) years. The Vice Chairperson shall be elected by the members of the Council who also shall serve for a term of two (2) years.

4. The Council shall have the following functions and duties:

- a) Serve as the single statewide homelessness planning and policy development resource for the Commonwealth of Kentucky;
- b) Review and update annually Kentucky's *Ten-Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness*;
- c) Recommend necessary changes to Kentucky's *Ten-Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness*;
- d) Monitor and oversee implementation of Kentucky's *Ten-Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness* to ensure that accountability and results are consistent with the plan;
- e) Serve as a state clearinghouse for information on services and housing options for the homeless; and
- f) Conduct other activities as may be appropriate and necessary.


5. The Council shall report to the Governor and the Kentucky General Assembly by June 1, 2008 and annually thereafter.

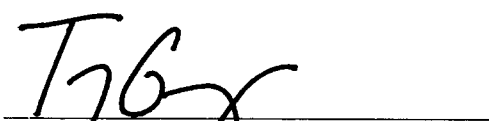
6. Non-state employee members of the Council shall be eligible to receive actual and reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

The Kentucky Housing Corporation, the Governor's Office of Policy and Management and the Secretary of the Personnel Cabinet shall take all steps necessary to effectuate the provisions of this Order.

I hereby appoint Ben A. Cook, Chief Executive Officer of the Kentucky Housing Corporation, to serve as Chairperson of the Council.

Please issue a Commission to him.


ERNIE FLETCHER, Governor
Commonwealth of Kentucky


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