EXECUTIVE ORDER

ESTABLISHING A GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR HISPANIC AFFAIRS

WHEREAS, members of the Hispanic community have contributed significantly to the State and its government to the benefit of all of the people in the State; and

WHEREAS, the State must continue to be responsive to the special needs and concerns of its Hispanic citizens; and

WHEREAS, a mechanism must be established to ensure that members of the Hispanic community have opportunities to participate in all levels of government;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mario M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the Laws of the State of New York, do hereby order as follows:

I. Governor's Advisory Committee for Hispanic Affairs

There is hereby created a committee to be known as the Governor's Advisory Committee for Hispanic Affairs (the "Committee"). The members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Governor. A chairperson and vice chairperson shall be designated by the Governor. The members of the Committee shall receive no compensation, but shall be entitled to reimbursement for any necessary expenses incurred in connection with the performance of their duties.

II. Purpose and Responsibilities of the Committee

1. The Committee shall identify and evaluate areas of particular concern to the Hispanic community and submit recommendations to the Governor for his review. The Committee shall place special emphasis on the following areas:

   a. development of increased opportunities for involvement of Hispanics in all aspects of State government.

   b. coordination of resources to create effective bilingual education and vocational training programs.

   c. evaluation of policy decisions affecting the Hispanic community.

   d. analysis of State policies to ensure that business enterprises owned by Hispanics are given full opportunity to participate in State contracting activities.
2. The Committee, in conjunction with the Governor's Executive Committee for Affirmative Action, shall ensure effective implementation of affirmative action programs to increase employment opportunities for Hispanics in State government.

3. The Committee shall report on a regular basis to the Governor on its activities. The Governor shall designate a liaison to the Committee to coordinate its activities and to present suggestions as to areas requiring the Committee's special expertise.

4. The Committee may request and shall receive from any department, division, board, bureau, commission or agency of the State such assistance and data as will enable it to carry out its purpose and responsibilities hereunder.

GIVEN under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State in the City of New York this eighteenth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred eighty-three.

BY THE GOVERNOR

Secretary to the Governor

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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