Executive Chamber

No. 97

EXECUTIVE ORDER

DESIGNATING THE GOVERNOR'S TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
AS THE STATE AGENCY TO COORDINATE AND APPROVE
STATE HIGHWAY SAFETY PROGRAMS

WHEREAS, the Interdepartmental Traffic Safety Committee was
established under State Executive Law on April 27, 1967, to provide
management and coordination of all highway safety programs in the State; and

WHEREAS, the Interdepartmental Traffic Safety Committee was
instrumental in implementing New York's first in the nation mandatory seat
belt and 21 purchase age laws which have saved hundreds of lives each year
on our highways; and

WHEREAS, the Interdepartmental Traffic Safety Committee has
improved highway safety and reduced traffic fatalities and injuries by
sponsoring and promoting innovative pedestrian and motorcycle safety,
driving while intoxicated and speed limit enforcement programs;

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 Laws
of the State of New York, do hereby reestablish an Interdepartmental
Committee, to be hereinafter known as the Governor's Traffic Safety
Committee, to consist of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, as Chairperson,
and the Commissioners of Education, Health, Criminal Justice Services and
Transportation, the Secretary of State, the Superintendents of State Police
and Insurance, the Directors of Alcoholism and Alcohol Abuse, Substance
Abuse and Probation and the Chairpersons of the State Liquor Authority and
New York State Thruway Authority. The Chairperson of the Committee shall
appoint annually a Vice-Chairperson, who shall perform the duties of Chair
in the Chairperson's absence, or at such other time or times as the
Chairperson may direct.

I. General Powers.

The Committee shall coordinate the highway safety activities of
State and local agencies, other public and private agencies and interested
individuals and organizations. The Committee is hereby designated, pursuant
to Article 16-A of the Executive Law, to act in my behalf in carrying out
the provisions of that Article and, for this purpose, shall be vested with,
and authorized to exercise and perform all of the functions, powers and
duties prescribed in that Article.
II. Personnel.

The Committee shall appoint an Executive Director and shall assign to such Director such powers, functions and duties as it shall deem appropriate. The Committee may employ such additional personnel as it may deem necessary or desirable to fulfill the purposes of this Order and of Article 16-A of the Executive Law.

GIVEN under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State in the City of Albany this twenty-seventh day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred eighty-seven.

BY THE GOVERNOR

[Signature]

Secretary to the Governor

STATE OF NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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Secretary of State