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SECRETARY OF STATE

By \_\_\_\_\_ DEPUTY

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Nebraska, it is ordered as follows:

WHEREAS, after careful analysis of what has been initiated on the national scene in the way of a "new Federalism;" and

WHEREAS, upon careful review of the mechanisms now available to provide dialog and understanding among the several levels of local governments; and

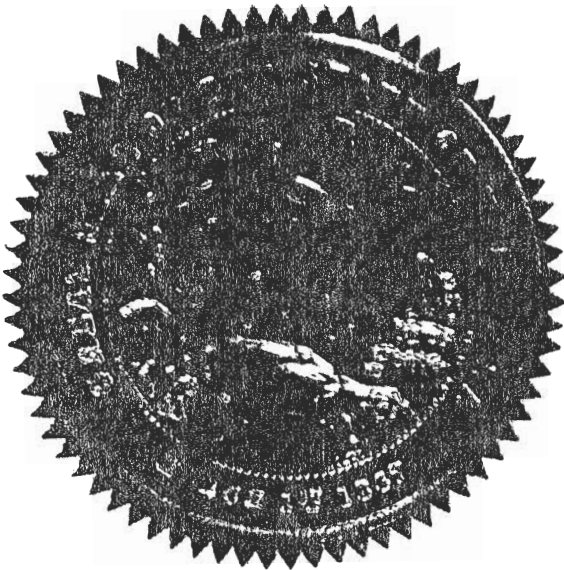
WHEREAS, with a continued personal resolve to seek coordination and cooperation rather than confrontation among all levels of State and local government;

WHEREAS, the Nebraska Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations under the able leadership of former Governor Robert Crosby has developed a wholesome focal point for dialog among representatives of state and local governments and representative citizens since formation in September of 1981;

NOW, THEREFORE, I Charles Thone, Governor of the State of Nebraska, do hereby establish the Nebraska Advisory Council on Intergovernmental Relations.

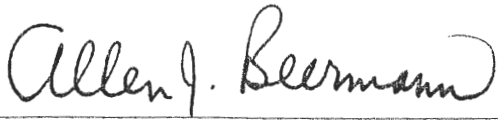
1. The essential purpose of this Council will be to provide Nebraska and those subdivisions formed for general public purposes a mechanism that can probe, ponder and propose solutions to intergovernmental problems and relationships in Nebraska. There is a need to deal systematically with the tension points in state-local relations. The beginnings of the Block Grant concept on the federal level, though considerably reduced from the concepts of President Reagan, nevertheless may provide an impetus for us to more closely examine what services are provided most effectively and efficiently by which level of government. The still-to-be-developed "greater discretion" or "flexibility" according to states and their localities through the "new federalism," the shifting pattern of services needed and offered, the closer coordination of private business and industry as well as private non-profit organizations with the units of government, and the resource base (or lack of such base) afforded state and local governments at this time are but a few of the concerns to be addressed through this broader forum. Through the Council we may act to ensure that coordination rather than conflict will characterize state-local relationships.
2. Members of the Council shall be appointed by the Governor and serve at his pleasure. Council membership shall include five elected city officials, five elected county officials, five members of the legislature, five members of the executive branch of state government and five interested citizens.

3. A continuing purpose of the Council is to develop policy recommendations on the distribution of federal block grant funds from the state to local governments. It shall not be the purpose of the Council to advocate increasing state general fund expenditures to offset reduction of federal funds, because taxpayers are ill served by a tax reduction in Washington if it means increased tax liability at home.
4. The Council together with myself as Governor, will develop necessary bylaws for its continuation.
5. The Council's existence shall be in perpetuity unless specifically ended by Executive Order of the Governor.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto  
subscribe my name and caused the  
Great Seal of the State of Nebraska  
to be affixed. DONE at Lincoln this  
15 th day of June in the Year of  
our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-  
two.

  
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CHARLES THONE  
Governor

  
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ALLEN J. BEERMANN  
Secretary of State