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STATE of NEBRASKA
EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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EXECUTIVE ORDER

No. 91- 5

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States has urged states to adopt the use of alkaline permanent paper for the printing of documents and other records of enduring value; and

WHEREAS, the Ninety-Second Nebraska Legislature 1st session has adopted Legislative Resolution 45, urging state and local government agencies to publish documents, letters and other papers of enduring value on alkaline permanent paper; and

WHEREAS, the documentary heritage of the State of Nebraska is at risk due to the use of non-permanent papers; and,

WHEREAS, it will require expenditures of millions of dollars over the next several decades to salvage the most essential materials by replication on microfilm or archival paper, and to prevent deterioration by deacidification; and,

WHEREAS, alkaline permanent paper is as accessible as acidic paper and costs no more; and,

WHEREAS, many recycled papers are alkaline; and

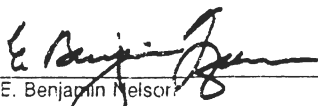
WHEREAS, alkaline paper production is more environmentally sound than acidic paper production since alkaline processes reduce water consumption and facilitate waste management.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, E. Benjamin Nelson, Governor of the State of Nebraska, by virtue of the authority vested in the Governor by the Constitution and the statutes of the State of Nebraska, hereby order the following:

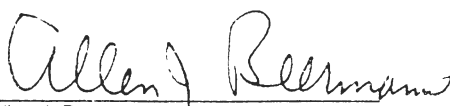
1. The Department of Administrative Services shall purchase when possible alkaline permanent paper for the printing of books, documents, and other papers of historical value and shall encourage local government agencies to use state contracts to procure alkaline permanent papers.

2. All state agencies shall use alkaline permanent papers for documents and publications of enduring value.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have set my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska to be affixed this 1st day of May, 1991.


E. Benjamin Nelson
Governor

Attest:


Allen J. Beermann
Secretary of State

