



STATE OF TENNESSEE

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR

No. 17

AN ORDER ESTABLISHING THE GOVERNOR'S MINORITY BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the expansion of economic opportunities among Tennesseans enhances the general welfare of the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, encouraging the development of businesses and economic activity in Tennessee's minority communities will strengthen economic growth in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate the development of minority-owned businesses in Tennessee's economy, it is prudent for State Government to seek the advice of appropriately knowledgeable and interested persons;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Don Sundquist, Governor of the State of Tennessee, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Tennessee, do hereby order and direct the following:

1. There is established the Governor's Minority Business Development Advisory Committee, which shall consist of the following members:

- (a) Two (2) members of the Senate, recommended by the Speaker of the Senate, whose terms shall correspond with that of the Speaker;
- (b) Two (2) members of the House of Representatives, recommended by the Speaker of the House, whose terms shall correspond with that of the Speaker;
- (c) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, or their designee;
- (d) The Commissioner of Finance and Administration, or their designee;
- (e) The Commissioner of General Services or their designee;
- (f) The Commissioner of Transportation or their designee;
- (g) A representative from the Minority Business Purchasing Council; and
- (h) Three (3) members representing business and industry, appointed by the Governor with one(1) from each grand division of the State. The terms of all members appointed by the Governor shall correspond with that of the Governor.

2. The duties of the Committee shall be:

- (a) To assess the needs of the minority businesses as they relate to doing business in the State of Tennessee and provide a forum for minority businesses to express their concerns and have them addressed;

- (b) To promote, educate and raise awareness of the impact of minority business in Tennessee.

3. The Governor shall designate the Chairperson of the Committee. The Committee shall meet at such times as it is called by the Governor or the Chairperson of the Committee, and shall make periodic reports to the Governor. The initial report shall be made no later than January 1, 1999. The final report shall be made no later than August 31, 1999. The non-legislative members appointed by the Governor shall serve at his pleasure and may be removed by the Governor with or without cause. The legislative members may be removed by the Governor with or without cause upon the recommendation of the respective Speaker.

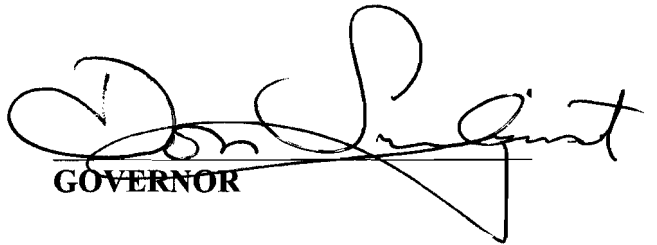
4. The Committee shall be attached to the Department of General Services for administrative purposes and shall receive staff support from the Department of Economic and Community Development, the Department of Finance and Administration, the Department of General Services and the Department of Transportation.

5. Non-legislative members shall receive no compensation but may be reimbursed for those expenses allowed by the provisions of the comprehensive travel regulations, as promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration and approved by the Attorney General and Reporter. Legislative members may be reimbursed as members of the General Assembly are paid for attending legislative meetings as provided in Tennessee Code Annotated § 3-1-106.

6. The meetings of the Committee shall be public and subject to the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated §8-44-101 et seq.

7. The Committee shall cease to function on August 31, 1999.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have subscribed my signature and have cause the Great Seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed this 16th day of July, 1998.


GOVERNOR

ATTEST:


SECRETARY OF STATE