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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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EXECUTIVE ORDER

WHEREAS, the objective of assuring strong and viable local governments able to meet the complex demands confronting local communities and responsive to the needs and desires of all citizens of the State of South Carolina is vital to the well being of the State; and

WHEREAS, expenditures by South Carolina's local governments for all purposes increased to nearly one billion dollars during the past fiscal year, underscoring the necessity of wise and careful management of those public resources; and

WHEREAS, the people of South Carolina in the General Election of 1972 indicated their desire to modernize and improve local government by the passage of a new Article VIII to the Constitution of South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and clearly in the public interest to create a State commission to assist local governments to strengthen their capacity to manage and to provide necessary services at the least overall costs; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest that that commission and its implementing agency be provided permanency and guidelines to better accomplish their goals;

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the powers conferred upon me by the Constitution and Laws of the State, there is hereby created a South Carolina Community Development Commission which shall seek to enhance local government managerial and administrative operations.

The Commission shall serve as the State's Community Development agency for the purpose of coordinating or providing planning, technical, and fiscal assistance to local governments. Further, the Commission shall be charged with the responsibility of developing formalized programs to improve local government operations and to enhance economic growth.

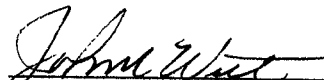
The Commission shall be composed of the following members:

- Two members of the South Carolina Senate
- Two members of the South Carolina House of Representatives
- President, Municipal Association of South Carolina
- President, South Carolina Association of Counties
- President, City/County Management Association
- Director, State Development Board
- Director, Division of Administration
- Eight members to be appointed by the Governor

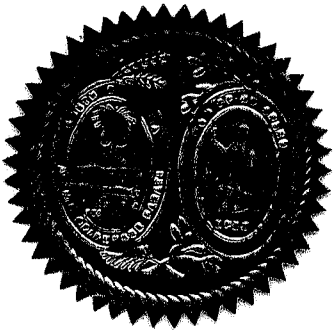
The Commission shall be headed by a Chairman and Vice-Chairman who shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Staff services in support of the Commission efforts shall be supplied by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration. The Commission is authorized to receive and disburse Federal, State, and other funds made available for its functions.

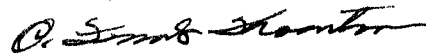
Commission members shall not be entitled to compensation for their services but they shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the performance of their duties as provided under State Law and Regulations.

Given under my hand and the
Great Seal of the State of
South Carolina, at Columbia,
South Carolina, this 4th
day of December.



John C. West
Governor of South Carolina





O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of State