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**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

EXECUTIVE ORDER #290

**Relating to the Creation of the Governor's Task Force on the Compulsory School Attendance Age**

**WHEREAS**, it is in the interest of the State of Wisconsin to explore and evaluate issues concerning the compulsory school attendance age; and

**WHEREAS**, such an undertaking will require the involvement and participation of a multi-disciplinary task force; and

**WHEREAS**, Wisconsin must take steps to provide a constructive classroom environment for teachers and students; and

**WHEREAS**, Wisconsin must ensure educational opportunities for all students;

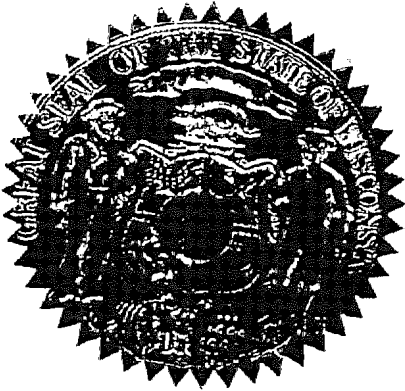
**NOW, THEREFORE, I, TOMMY G. THOMPSON**, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of this State, and specifically by Section 14.019 of the Wisconsin Statutes, do hereby:

1. Establish the Governor's Task Force on the Compulsory School Attendance Age (hereinafter "the Task Force") to study the need for any changes to the compulsory school attendance age; and
2. Provide that the Task Force shall consist of not more than twenty-five (25) members representing a range of community interests to include a parent of an at-risk student, teachers, students, principals, administrators, government officials, the business community, and other disciplines concerned with reducing the student dropout rate and related issues; and
3. Provide that the Governor shall designate two members of the Task Force as co-chairs; and
4. Direct the Task Force to explore the advisability of changes to the compulsory school attendance age to increase opportunities for all children while striving toward a non-disruptive classroom environment for teachers and students; and
5. Require the Task Force to submit a report to the Office of the Governor outlining its findings and supporting information; and
6. Require the Task Force to establish, not later than its second meeting, a date certain for the submission of its report to the Office of the Governor and that such date shall be communicated to the Office of the Governor by the Friday following that meeting; and

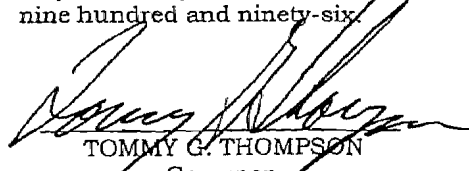
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7. Require the Task Force to disband upon the acceptance of its final report by the Office of the Governor.



**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this eighteenth day of July in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

  
TOMMY G. THOMPSON  
Governor

By the Governor:

  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State