

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 396

Relating to Issuance of General Obligation Bonds for the Veterans Home Loan Program and Appointment of Hearing Officer

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin (the "State") has a plan of finance to issue, during calendar year 2000, one or more series of its General Obligation Bonds (whether one or more, the "Bonds") in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$86,250,000, for the purpose of financing housing loans to veterans throughout the State of Wisconsin and in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$28,050,000 for replacement refundings of its General Obligation Bonds previously issued to finance housing loans to veterans throughout the State of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, requires, as a condition of the exclusion from gross income taxation of interest on the Bonds, that the issuance of the Bonds be approved by the State after a public hearing following reasonable public notice or by a referendum.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TOMMY G. THOMPSON, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Wisconsin, do appoint the Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs (the "Secretary") as hearing officer to hold a public hearing on the proposed issuance of the Bonds, following reasonable public notice, in accordance with the standards set forth in Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and order the Secretary to deliver to the Governor a transcript or summary of the appearances at that hearing.



By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE Secretary of State

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 twenty-third day of May in the year two thousand.

G. THOMPS TOMMY

Governor