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EXECUTIVE ORDER #214

**Relating to the National and Community
Service Board**

WHEREAS, promoting a sense of civic responsibility through community service among citizens of all ages is important to the health and prosperity of Wisconsin's communities; and

WHEREAS, unmet needs in the areas of the environment, education, public safety, and human services can be met through community service and voluntarism, and

WHEREAS, a State Board is necessary to ensure that Wisconsin can be a full participant in the benefits of the Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, by the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and laws of Wisconsin, IT IS ORDERED:

Section 1. Establishment.

The National and Community Service Board is hereby established to encourage community service and volunteer participation as a means of community and state problem-solving; to promote and support voluntary citizen involvement in government and private programs throughout the state; to develop a long-term, comprehensive vision and plan for action for community service initiatives in Wisconsin; and to serve as the state's liaison to national and state organizations which support its mission.

Section 2. Membership.

A. Members of the Board shall be appointed by the Governor on a bipartisan basis. It shall consist of no fewer than 15 and no more than 25 members. Not more than 50 percent of the Board plus one member may be from the same political party. To the extent possible, it shall be balanced according to race, ethnicity, age, disability, and gender characteristics. In establishing the Board, the Governor shall appoint one-third of the initial members for a term of one year; one-third for a term of two years; and one-third for a term of three years. Following expiration of these initial terms, all appointments shall be for three-year terms.

B. The Board shall include:

(1) An individual with expertise in the educational, training, and developmental needs of youth, particularly disadvantaged youth.

(2) An individual with experience in promoting the involvement of older adults in service and voluntarism.

(3) A representative of community-based agencies or community-based organization within the State.

(4) The Superintendent of the Department of Public Instruction, or his designee.

(5) A representative of local governments in the State.

(6) A representative of local labor organizations in the State.

(7) A representative of business.

(8) An individual between the ages of 16 and 25 who is a participant or supervisor in a volunteer or service program.

(9) A representative of a national service program.

C. The Board may include:

(1) Members selected from among local educators.

(2) Members selected from among experts in the delivery of human, educational, environmental, or public safety services to communities and persons.

(3) Representatives of Native American tribes.

(4) Members selected from among out-of-school youth or other at-risk youth.

(5) Representatives of entities that receive assistance under the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4950 et seq.)

(6) Other appropriate individuals as determined by the Governor.

D. Not more than 25 percent of the Board members may be employees of state government, though additional state agency representatives may sit on the Board as non-voting, ex officio members.

E. Vacancies among the members shall be filled by the Governor to serve for the remainder of the term.

F. A chairperson shall be elected by the voting members of the Board from among their ranks.

Section 3. Duties.

The Board shall, in the performance of its tasks and function:

a. Prepare and update annually a three-year national service plan for the State of Wisconsin.

b. Prepare the State application for AmeriCorps funding and funding for community-based school-aged service-learning programs.

c. Make recommendations to the federal Corporation for National and Community Service an VISTA and Older American Volunteer Programs within Wisconsin.

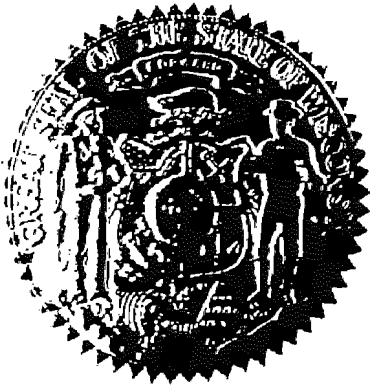
d. Provide technical assistance to applicants and grantees.

e. Assist in the provision of health care and child care benefits for program participants.

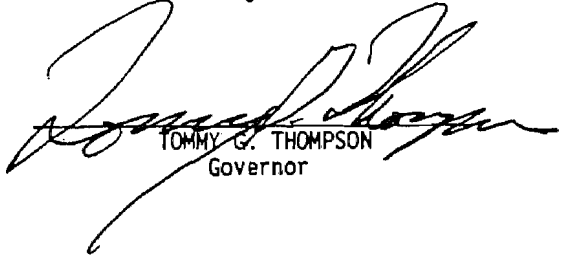
f. Develop a state system for recruitment and placement of participants, and dissemination of information about programs.

g. Administer the AmeriCorps program, including selection, oversight and evaluation of grant recipients.

h. Develop projects, training methods and curriculum materials for grantees.



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-eighth day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-four.


TOMMY G. THOMPSON
Governor

By the Governor:


DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State