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WHEREAS, the quality of Wisconsin state government depends on the competence and commitment of its senior level agency managers; and

WHEREAS, senior managers have experience and skills that should be used to deal with problems and issues arising in the operation of state government; and

WHEREAS, it is important that Wisconsin state government's senior managers are encouraged and enabled to obtain appropriate training and other learning experience in order to improve their effectiveness and keep up with developing knowledge and techniques in their fields; and

WHEREAS, special efforts are also needed to encourage and better prepare individuals with high potential for future senior level managerial responsibilities in states service:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANTHONY S. EARL, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Statutes of this state do create, pursuant to Stats. s. 14.019, the WISCONSIN STATE SENIOR MANAGERS COUNCIL to advise and assist the Governor, the Department of Employment Relations (DER), and state agency heads in developing and using the important and valuable source of managerial and executive talent available from senior level managers within Wisconsin state government. The Council's functions will include: advising the DER and state agencies on programs for training and developing present and future senior managers; advising the Governor, the DER and other state agencies, upon request, of issues affecting the state's senior managers; sponsoring and planning conferences for senior managers; and promoting expanded use of interchange and special assignment of senior managers throughout state government as well as with local government and private sector organizations, to make use of their special talents and broaden their experience.

The WISCONSIN STATE SENIOR MANAGERS COUNCIL will consist of 9 senior managers appointed by the Governor from the state's classified employees in salary range 1-18 and above, as well as unclassified professional administrators. for membership on the Council will be solicited from the senior managers and agency Members will serve three-year staggered terms with three terms appointed each year. The Council will elect its chairperson, and adopt its own operating rules.

The Department of Employment Relations will provide necessary staff and administrative support under an agreement updated annually specifying the activities to be undertaken and nature of support to be provided.

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 twentieth day of March in the year of Our Lord, one thousand nine hundred eighty-four.

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