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The State of Wisconsin



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EXECUTIVE ORDER #157

Relating to the Creation of the Task Force on Regulatory Barriers to Affordable Housing

WHEREAS, affordable and quality housing is essential to the quality of life for Wisconsin's citizens, and it is also of great social and economic importance to this state; and

WHEREAS, it is becoming increasingly difficult for many low- and moderate-income persons to find adequate and affordable housing in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, government regulations on housing construction, environmental protection, credit, and other areas relating to housing contribute to the increased cost of housing, and the consequent decline in affordability of that housing;

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 Wisconsin Statute section 14.019, do hereby:

1. Establish the Task Force on Regulatory Barriers to Affordable Housing to:
  - \* Examine all federal, state, and local regulations that have a direct impact on the cost of housing;
  - \* Provide findings and recommendations about whether or not any of those regulations should be modified or eliminated to improve the affordability of housing, without undue sacrifice of environmental quality, or public safety or health.
2. Direct that the Task Force shall perform its charge in two phases.
  - \* The first phase shall be a review of state and federal regulations, with a final report on that phase to be delivered to the Governor not later than December 15, 1992.
  - \* The second phase shall be a review of local regulations, with a final report to be delivered to the Governor not later than November 1, 1993.
3. The Task Force shall include representatives of the housing, real estate, and lending industries, local governments, the state legislature, and advocates for housing for low- and moderate-income persons. The Chair of the Task Force shall be the Administrator of the Division of Housing, within the Department of Administration.

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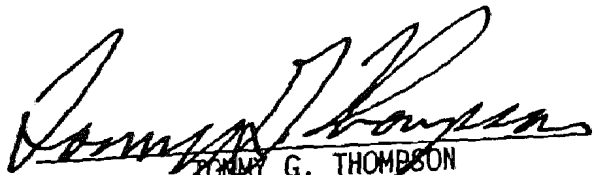


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4. Direct that the Department of Administration provide for the staff resources and other expenses relating to the Task Force.
5. Direct state agencies that administer housing-related regulatory functions to cooperate fully with this Task Force, and provide an agency liaison to the Task Force, if so requested.



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-fifth day of August in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-two.

  
TOM G. THOMPSON  
Governor

By the Governor:

  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State

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