

## EXECUTIVE ORDER # 67

## Relating to the Creation of the State of Wisconsin Citizen Corps Council

WHEREAS, the need for homeland security, community health, and public safety has increased and has led to the need to call upon the abilities of all citizens to help solve many of the problems facing their communities; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Citizen Corps, a United States of America Freedom Corps initiative, is to harness the power of every individual through education, training, and volunteer service to make communities safer and stronger; and

WHEREAS, across the State, citizens of Wisconsin have responded by establishing local Citizen Corps Councils and by participating in Citizen Corps' programs, including Community Emergency Response Teams, Medical Reserve Corps, and Volunteers In Police Service; and

WHEREAS, the creation of a State of Wisconsin Citizen Corps Council will enable the State of Wisconsin to provide assistance and direction to the numerous local Citizen Corps Councils to help make Wisconsin safer,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIM DOYLE, Governor of the State of Wisconsin by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the Laws of this State, and specifically by Wis. Stat. § 14.019, do hereby:

- 1. Create the State of Wisconsin Citizen Corps Council ("Council"); and
- 2. Provide that the Council shall consist of not more than twenty (20) members appointed by the Governor to serve at the pleasure of the Governor; and
- 3. Provide that the Governor shall designate two (2) members on the Council as chair and vice-chair to serve in this capacity at the pleasure of the Governor; and
  - Provide that the members of the Council shall include at least the following individuals:
    - A representative from local law enforcement;
    - A county sheriff;
    - A local fire chief;
    - A local firefighter;
    - A local emergency medical services professional;
    - An emergency management professional;
    - Representatives from charitable organizations with a focus on disaster readiness and volunteer mobilization;
    - A member from an existing local or county Citizen Corps Council;
  - Non-government citizen members; and
- 5. Provide that the Council shall:
  - Act as a statewide advisory council for the operation of Citizen Corps in Wisconsin;

- Provide public information and foster awareness of the Citizen Corps program in Wisconsin;
- Set program priorities and make recommendations for the allocation of federal funds provided for Citizen Corps by the Office for Domestic Preparedness (ODP);
- Advise the Governor and Legislature on policy and legislation related to the Citizen Corps mission; and
- б. Direct that the Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance shall provide staff support for the Council.

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DOUGEAS 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 eighth day of September 2004.

JIM DO YLE Governor