EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 20

WHEREAS, The administration has completed a study of safety programs throughout the Executive Branch of State Government; and

WHEREAS, Of all employers government has a special moral and social obligation to take the leadership in doing everything necessary to safeguard the life and health of employees, to assure that adequately safe and healthful work practices and conditions prevail in its offices, laboratories, shops, institutions, highway projects, parks, and other places of employment operated by the State; and

WHEREAS, It is known that the personal tragedies and economic loss connected with on-the-job accidents can be prevented if a unified program is established to eliminate or control safety hazards encountered;

Now, Therefore, I, Richard J. Hughes, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the statutes of this State, do hereby order and direct:

1. That all Department heads assume responsibility for an effective employee safety program in their agencies, including the designation of a Department Safety Co-ordinator who can represent his agency on a State-wide employee safety committee; and, if the Department head thinks it is desirable, the appointment of a Departmental safety committee or committees.

2. That the State-wide employees safety committee comprising the co-ordinators from the various Departments meet periodically to share information, assure co-operation among Depart-
ments, devise useful accident prevention programs and techniques, assess progress and consult generally on the conduct of the program.

3. That any accidental injury to any employee which causes a loss of time from work on any day after the date of injury, or which requires medical attention beyond first aid, be reported to the Department of Labor and Industry as is now done by all private employers.

4. That the Bureau of Engineering and Safety of the Department of Labor and Industry be designated as the co-ordinating agency for the State Employees Safety Program; to prepare necessary promotional materials, to keep records on the occurrence of work injuries to State employees, to act as secretary to the State-wide committee, and to provide safety inspection and training service to any State agency upon request.

Given under my hand and seal this [seal] 21st day of June in the year of Our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-five, and of the Independence of the United States, the one hundred and eighty-ninth.

RICHARD J. HUGHES,
Governor.

Attest:

JAMES J. MCLAUGHLIN,
Acting Secretary to the Governor.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 21

WHEREAS, From the inception of this nation the people of this country have been dedicated to the credo enshrined in the Declaration of Independence, "that all men are created equal; that they