members shall receive reasonable reimbursement for expenses incurred as a result of their service on the committee.

5. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Issued August 18, 1982.

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 15

WHEREAS, The State currently provides housing to over 1,300 State employees; and

WHEREAS, The administration of the employee housing program is decentralized and lacks a coordinated Statewide perspective; and

WHEREAS, The current rental rates charged do not reflect current fair market rates; and

WHEREAS, The State is losing a viable source of revenue by maintaining unreasonably low rentals as well as paying the utility and maintenance charges for all occupants;

Now, THEREFORE, I, Thomas H. Kean, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. The Bureau of Real Property Management in the Department of Treasury (hereinafter the Bureau) shall administer, under the general supervision of the State Treasurer, all State-owned employee housing.

2. State employees shall pay the fair market value of the State-owned housing units which they occupy. Except as provided in paragraphs 5 and 6 of this Order, no State employee shall be granted a reduction of a rental rate due to mandatory occupancy, nor shall any State employee receive rent-free housing. Accordingly, the Bureau shall calculate the fair market rental value of all occupied State-owned employee housing. No sum less than that amount shall be provided by the chief examiner and secretary of Civil Service as rent. The Bureau shall annually review rental rates and shall increase or decrease them as need be according to the current fair market rates. The Consumer Price Index or HUD's section 8 housing rates may be utilized to develop these updates.
When determining fair market value, the Bureau shall take into account whether the housing is located on institutional grounds and shall adjust the rent accordingly.

3. All utility charges directly attributable to a State-owned employee housing unit shall be charged to the occupant, either separately, if it is feasible or practicable to do so, or by reflecting such charges in a fair market rental. All maintenance charges customarily paid by tenants shall be paid by occupants of State-owned housing.

4. The Bureau shall establish policies with regard to the respective landlord-tenant rights and responsibilities of the State and an occupant of State-owned employee housing and incorporate those policies into a standard form lease.

5. State housing occupied by the Commissioner of Corrections, the Chancellor of Higher Education, the Commissioner of Education, State college presidents and superintendents in State correctional facilities shall not be subject to paragraphs 2 and 3 of this Executive Order.

6. Upon the application of a cabinet officer, the State Treasurer may authorize reasonable exceptions or modifications from the requirements of paragraphs 2 and 3 for reasons which include, but are not limited to: (a) that residency in the State housing unit is a condition of employment; (b) that the unit is located on institutional grounds; and (c) that the fair market rental value of the housing is substantially disproportionate to the salary of the employee.

7. Departments which employ personnel occupying State-owned housing shall file with the Bureau a description of its policies with respect to eligibility standards for occupancy, selection procedures, occupancy as a condition of employment and continuation of housing use.

8. The Bureau shall identify any off-premises State-owned employee housing which is not essential for State operations. With the concurrence of the interested cabinet officer, steps shall be taken to commence the sale of the property in accordance with the procedures of the law.

9. The Bureau shall continue to maintain on an ongoing basis its current inventory of State-owned employee housing units, and the Bureau shall provide the Office of Management Services with
quarterly progress reports on housing sales and rental revisions for the first year and semi-annually thereafter.

10. The provisions of this Executive Order shall not apply to armories or other military facilities governed by N. J. S. 38A:12-5, nor to dormitories and other student housing currently administered by the trustees of the State colleges.

11. This Order shall take effect January 1, 1983.

Issued September 8, 1982.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 16

WHEREAS, The Declaration of Independence states that it is the natural right of a free people to govern themselves; and

WHEREAS, The 15th Amendment of the United States Constitution recognizes the right to vote as a paramount right; and

WHEREAS, Article 2, paragraph 3, of the New Jersey Constitution acknowledges the importance of voting by all competent citizens, 18 years of age and older; and

WHEREAS, The nation’s voting-age population has grown larger and younger as the baby-boom generation becomes of voting age; and

WHEREAS, The U. S. Census Bureau predicts that two of every five persons of voting age will be 25 to 44 years old, and one in five will be under 25 years old; and

WHEREAS, The U. S. Census Bureau predicts that only 32.5 percent of the voting-age population will actually exercise their franchise in 1982, an all-time low in voter participation; and

WHEREAS, It is in the best interest of the people of New Jersey that as many people as possible participate in the process of government, and that voting is the fundamental means of participation;

Now, THEREFORE, I, Thomas H. Kean, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. There is hereby created a Voter Registration Advisory Council, which shall advise the Governor and recommend programs and