Now, Therefore, I, Brendan T. Byrne, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State, hereby order, proclaim and direct:

1. The state of emergency declared by Executive Order No. 48 is hereby terminated.

2. Executive Orders Nos. 48 and 49 are hereby rescinded.

3. All laws or regulations suspended by Executive Order Nos. 48 and 49 are hereby reinstated.

4. Energy Conservation measures imposed by Executive Order No. 13 on State-owned or State-leased buildings shall remain in effect.

5. All citizens are urged to continue conservation of energy supplies. During the air-conditioning season, I urge all New Jersey residents to keep air-conditioning thermostats at settings no lower than 78° Fahrenheit during occupied periods and at higher settings during unoccupied periods.

6. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Given, under my hand and seal this 4th day of April in the year of Our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and seventy-seven of the Independence of the United States the two hundredth and first.

/s/ BRENDAN BYRNE,
Governor.

Attest:
/s/ JOHN J. DEGNAN,
Executive Secretary to the Governor.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 53

WHEREAS, The development of Liberty State Park presents an opportunity for New Jersey to create a unique urban, environmental, recreational and commercial resource for the citizens of New Jersey and the Nation; and
WHEREAS, The development of Liberty State Park must be based on sound planning and financing consistent with the public interest; and

WHEREAS, The analysis of planning and development alternatives should be undertaken by citizens representing a wide range of interests;

Now, THEREFORE, I, Brendan Byrne, 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. There is hereby created a commission to be known as the Liberty State Park Study and Planning Commission (hereinafter referred to as the "Commission") to be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The members of the Commission shall be appointed by the Governor from a broad spectrum of the citizenry of the State. The members shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties subject to the availability of funds therefor.

2. The Governor shall designate a chairman and vice-chairman of the Commission from among the members of the Commission. The chairman shall preside over the meetings and affairs of the Commission and shall create such subcommittees as he deems appropriate to carry out the functions of the Commission. The chairman shall have such further powers and duties as may be conferred upon him by the Governor. In the absence of the chairman, the vice-chairman shall have all the powers and duties of the chairman. The Commission may retain or designate an executive director.

3. (a) The Commission shall conduct a thorough study and investigation of the various alternatives for the planning, design and development of Liberty State Park. In conducting the study, the Commission shall fully consider the following:

   (1) environmental, social and economic impact of the various alternatives;

   (2) impact of the various alternatives on existing transportation systems and requisite improvements that the various alternatives will require;

   (3) capital costs of the various alternatives;
(4) operating costs of the various alternatives;
(5) sources of funds available for capital and operating costs;
(6) phasing of the development of the various alternatives;
(7) compatibility with concerns of local governments and residents; and
(8) such other factors as the Commission shall deem relevant.

(b) In conducting its study and investigation, the Commission shall review the reports and studies already prepared or presently being prepared in connection with Liberty State Park. The Commission may conduct such further studies and hire such additional consultants as it shall deem necessary to fulfill its duties hereunder, subject to approval of financing arrangements by the Treasurer and the availability of funds.

(c) In conducting its study and investigation, the Commission shall fully consider the feasibility of developing a park which utilizes private investment to enhance the potential of the Park and the redevelopment of adjacent areas.

4. The Commission shall proceed promptly with its study and investigation and upon completion of its work the Commission shall render to the Governor a full report of its findings and recommendations. Said findings and recommendations shall be made as soon as practicable consistent with the nature of the study and investigation to be undertaken.

5. In order to carry out its functions, the Commission shall conduct public meetings and hearings and solicit information from the public and any other source as it deems appropriate. Notice of public hearings shall be given in such manner as the chairman may direct to provide an opportunity for interested members of the public to be heard.

6. (a) The Commission is authorized to call upon any department, office, division or agency of the State to supply such data, program reports, and other information, personnel or assistance as it deems necessary to discharge its responsibilities under this Order.

(b) Each department, office, division or agency of the State is authorized and directed, to the extent not inconsistent with law, to cooperate with the Commission and to furnish it with such informa-
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7. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Given, under my hand and seal this 13th day of April in the year of Our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and seventy-seven, of the Independence of the United States the two hundredth and first.

/s/ BRENDA BYRNE,
Governor.

Attest:
/s/ JOHN J. DEGNAN,
Executive Secretary to the Governor.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 54

WHEREAS, Boards, commissions, committees and councils are frequently established without provision for their termination upon achievement of their purpose; and

WHEREAS, The number of boards, commissions, committees and councils are proliferating needlessly; and

WHEREAS, A program should be established to provide for periodic review to end this proliferation of boards, commissions, committees and councils;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Brendan T. Byrne, 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. Each department of this State shall during the month of December of each calendar year, report to the Office of Governor’s Counsel, as to whether or not those boards within its jurisdiction should be continued, with the justification set forth for such continuation.