2. This Executive Order is not intended to affect the customary and usual work schedules of schools, county and local governments, nor the transaction of other business including that of banks and other regulated financial institutions.

Given, under my hand and seal this 17th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States, the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

/s/ RICHARD J. HUGHES,
Governor.

Attest:
/s/ ALAN J. KARCHER,
Acting Secretary to the Governor.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 58

WHEREAS, The proper control of pesticides is essential for the protection of the health of the citizens of New Jersey, the continued prosperity of our agriculture, and the conservation of our outdoor recreation resources; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey, as the most urban State in the Nation, must be especially alert to any possibilities of disturbing natural ecological balances; and

WHEREAS, It is desirable to coordinate the activities of State agencies involved in the use of pesticides; and

WHEREAS, The formulation of State policies regulating the use, transportation, storage, sale and disposal of pesticides and their containers requires consideration of many factors—including long-term effects on the environment, as well as safety and effectiveness of pesticides; and

WHEREAS, Various departments of State Government have responsibilities of vital importance for human, plant and animal programs controlling or eradicating pests; and

WHEREAS, The methods and materials used are of great concern to all citizens; and
Whereas, It is most appropriate that these responsibilities be discharged and those programs executed in as coordinated and safe a manner as possible; and

Whereas, It is desirable that there be created an Interdepartmental Council for the purpose of reviewing, evaluating and making recommendations to the appropriate departments for directing pesticide safety, 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. The creation of a New Jersey Pesticide Council.

(a) The Council shall consist of nine members of whom three shall be the Secretary of Agriculture, the Commissioner of Health, and the Commissioner of Conservation and Economic Development, and six citizens appointed by the Governor. The Governor shall designate one of these members to serve as chairman.

(b) The Council shall designate an Advisory Committee to include the following:
   Director, Office of Consumer Protection
   Dean, College of Agriculture and Environmental Science
   Director, Agriculture Experiment Station
   Director, Division of Environmental Health
   Director, Division of Clean Air and Clean Water
   Director, Division of Plant Industry
   State Chemist
   State Forester
   Chairman of the Fish and Game Council
   Chairman of the Water Policy and Supply Council
   Chairman of the State Mosquito Control Commission

and other persons knowledgeable in such areas as public health, farming and food production, consumer protection, conservation, wildlife, ornamental horticulture, arboriculture, veterinary medicine, pesticides and agricultural chemicals, and biological ecology.

(c) The Council is directed to hold public hearings on the use and effects of pesticides in New Jersey and publicize the dates of those hearings so that interested citizens may appear.

2. The Council shall appoint an executive secretary who need not be a member of the Council. The Council shall be entitled to call upon the services of such State employees and to utilize such State facilities as may be necessary for the performance of its duties
and as may be made available to it. The Council and Advisory Committee shall serve without compensation.

3. The Council shall review the effectiveness of various mechanical, chemical and biological methods of pest control, the possible effects of such methods in regard to human health and to the ecology of the environment, and the ecological effects of the use of pesticides. It shall be the responsibility of the Council to formulate and recommend overall policies on the use of pesticides by State agencies and to evaluate, develop and coordinate Federal and local pest control programs.

The Council may also make such recommendations as it may deem to be in the public interest relating to the use or handling by private persons of pesticides and related chemicals whose indiscriminate use may have undesirable effects.

4. The Council shall recommend to the Governor and appropriate State agencies such proposed legislation or rule and regulations as it may deem necessary for regulating the use, transportation, storage, sale, and disposal of pesticides and related chemicals and their containers.

5. The Council shall inform the public of State programs and activities relating to pest control and protection of the environment.

6. The Council shall report to the Governor on or before February 1, 1970, and shall report at least once each year thereafter, so long as it shall remain in existence.

7. Nothing in this Order shall be deemed to derogate or detract from the functions, power, and duties of any State agency as prescribed by law.

8. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Given, under my hand and seal this 11th day of August, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States, the one hundred and ninety-fourth.

/s/ RICHARD J. HUGHES,
Governor.

Attest:

/s/ ALAN J. KARCHER,
Acting Secretary to the Governor.