EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 10

WHEREAS, There are positions in State government that become vacant through retirement each year; and

WHEREAS, Such vacancies should be reviewed to consider their continued need and proper classification; and

WHEREAS, Procedures should be established to effectuate such a review process;

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. A Vacancy Review Board is hereby established to review the duties of and continued need for positions in the Executive Branch of State government that become vacant upon retirement, to determine whether these positions should be eliminated, continued, reclassified or transferred. The Board shall establish procedures necessary to implement this process. All departments of the Executive Branch shall fully cooperate with and provide information and documentation as required to the Board.

2. The Vacancy Review Board shall consist of the State Treasurer, President of the Civil Service Commission and a representative of the Governor’s Office or their designees.

3. The Vacancy Review Board shall be located in the Department of Civil Service and that Department shall provide necessary personnel and assistance to the Board.

4. This Order shall take effect immediately.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 11

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 65 fails to include a representative of the New Jersey Historical Commission, a commission which has contributed and continues to contribute greatly to the understanding and appreciation of ethnic and cultural groups in the State of New Jersey; and
WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 65 creates a 16-member Ethnic Advisory Council that could be made better equipped to serve the people of the State of New Jersey by a larger and broader-based membership; and

WHEREAS, The Executive Branch of State government recognizes that the State of New Jersey is one of the most ethnically and culturally diverse states of the 50 United States; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey served as the gateway to the United States for many immigrant ethnic groups, which is of historical significance to the country because of the major role these groups played in the growth and development of the United States; and

WHEREAS, The State’s ethnic communities are of historical significance to the State of New Jersey by virtue of the many contributions their members have made to the State’s growth, development and governance, contributions which should be recorded and shared with all of the people of the State; and

WHEREAS, The wide variety of customs, languages and histories of these varied ethnic groups significantly enhances and enriches the quality of the State’s social and cultural life; and

WHEREAS, The State has previously recognized and supported its ethnic communities through the New Jersey Bicentennial Ethnic Council, the reopening of Ellis Island as a National Park and the beginning of the Liberty Park Complex, the Heritage Festivals held at the Garden State Arts Center, and the Inter-Cultural Relations and Ethnic Studies Institute in the Rutgers University Graduate Department of Education; and

WHEREAS, Awareness, appreciation and understanding of these many ethnic groups would contribute to the quality of life in the State by affirming our unity within a framework of cultural diversity; and

WHEREAS, The ethnic communities in the State need still greater attention and support from the government of the State and should play a significant role in shaping the State’s approach to their culture, history and needs;

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 that:
1. Executive Order No. 65 of Governor Brendan Byrne is rescinded, and any regulations adopted and promulgated thereunder shall be null and void.

2. There is hereby created an Ethnic Advisory Council, which shall advise the Governor and recommend programs and other efforts the State shall engage in regarding ethnic communities:

(a) The Council shall be placed in the Office of Ethnic Affairs in the Department of State and shall consist of 19 members appointed by the Governor. At least 14 of these appointees shall be representatives of ethnic communities within the State of New Jersey. In selecting the Council membership, consideration shall be given to appointing as broad a representative sample as possible of New Jersey’s ethnic communities. All existing members of the Ethnic Advisory Council who have been appointed and are serving on the effective date of this Order shall serve a full two-year term from the date of this Order.

(b) The Commissioners of the Departments of Community Affairs and Education, the Secretary of State, the Chancellor of Higher Education, the Chairman of the State Council on the Arts, the Chairman of the New Jersey Historical Commission, or their designees, and the Ethnics Community Liaison, appointed by the Governor, shall serve on the Council in an ex officio capacity.

(c) All members of the Council shall be residents of the State, and shall be appointed for terms of two years, except that of the members initially appointed, eight shall be appointed for a term of one year, and eight for a term of two years. The term of each of the members first appointed shall be designated by the Governor at the time of appointment.

(d) Each Council member shall hold office for the term of the appointment and until a successor shall have been qualified and appointed. Members shall not serve more than two consecutive terms, notwithstanding the fact that the initial term might be less than two years or for the completion of an unexpired term.

(e) Council vacancies shall be filled by appointment by the Governor for the remainder of the unexpired term.

(f) The Governor shall designate the Chairman of the Council from among the members of the Council. The Chairman shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

(g) The Council shall organize itself in any manner it deems appropriate and enact bylaws as deemed necessary to carry forth the responsibilities of the Council.
EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 17

WHEREAS, During the period 1933-1945, six million Jews and millions of other Europeans were murdered in Nazi concentration camps as part of a carefully orchestrated program of cultural, social and political genocide known as the Holocaust; and

WHEREAS, All people should remember the horrible atrocities committed at that time and other times in man's history in the name of bigotry and tyranny and, therefore, should continually rededicate themselves to the principles of human rights and equal protection under the laws of a democratic society; and

WHEREAS, It is desirable to educate our citizens about the events leading up to the Holocaust and about the organization and facilities that were created and used purposefully for the systematic destruction of human beings; and

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the State of New Jersey that Holocaust history is the proper concern of all people, particularly students enrolled in the high schools and colleges supported by the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, The New Jersey Department of Education, in conjunction with the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, the New Jersey Education Association, and the New Jersey Council for Social Studies, has developed a curriculum entitled "The Holocaust and Genocide: A Search for Conscience," said curriculum having been implemented into courses of study on a trial basis in Vineland and Teaneck and, subsequently, in other communities; and

WHEREAS, Programs, workshops, institutes, seminars, and other teacher-training activities for the study of the Holocaust have taken place during the past four years at various high schools and colleges in the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, It is desirable to create a state-level, organized body which will cooperate with the Department of Education in the implementation of Holocaust education in the public schools;

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:
3. The Council shall meet formally at least four times a year at the call of the Chairman. The Council shall report annually to the Governor as to the activities of the Council.

4. The Council may make recommendations to the Governor concerning ethnic studies programs offered in the State's public schools, colleges, and the State University; the participation of ethnic organizations in providing community and social services; the promotion of ethnic and cultural events; the development of policies affecting ethnic neighborhoods; increasing knowledge and public awareness on ethnic history and culture; the participation of ethnic groups in governmental affairs; and such other matters as deemed appropriate to the purpose of this Executive Order.

5. Members of the Council are hereby charged with consulting with all segments of the State's ethnic communities to invite ideas and solicit suggestions in furtherance of this Executive Order.

6. The members shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, if funds are available.


EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 12

WHEREAS, It is important to the future economic health of this State to attract new businesses and the concomitant jobs and income which benefit all of the citizens of the State; and

WHEREAS, An important part of this effort to attract new businesses will involve the State's ability to encourage and support the development of high technology industries and applied research in science and technology, and also will depend on the availability of workers in the State who are trained in the sciences and technology; and

WHEREAS, The State's ability to support the development of high technology industries and to ensure the availability of highly trained workers will depend on a cooperative effort by the State's industry, labor, institutions of higher education, and government;

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: