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5. The Advisory Council shall render its findings and recommendations to the Governor within one year after its first meeting.

6. The Advisory Council shall remain in existence until its final report has been issued.

7. This Order shall take effect immediately.


EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 102

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 97 declared a state of emergency in certain communities of Northeast New Jersey in response to the unusually dry weather conditions this State has experienced since August of 1984; and

WHEREAS, Drought conditions have continued unabated in Northeast New Jersey and there continues to be a lack of adequate rainfall throughout the State, thereby aggravating existing water shortages in all areas of the State; and

WHEREAS, This unusual incident resulting from natural causes endangers the health, safety and resources of the residents and industry of the State and is too large in scope to be handled in its entirety by regular municipal operating services; and

WHEREAS, Surface and ground waters throughout the State are integrally interconnected and the increasing shortage of one resource will lead to the rapid depletion of the other; and

WHEREAS, It is vital to conserve and husband the available surface and ground water resources of the State; and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of Environmental Protection, the Water Emergency Task Force and the Drought Coordinator have the authority pursuant to C. 58:1A–1 et seq., N. J. A. C. 7:19A–1 et seq., and N. J. A. C. 7:19B–1 et seq. to adopt such rules and regulations, orders and directives as deemed necessary to help alleviate a water emergency;
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 and in accordance with the recommendation of Robert E. Hughey, Commissioner of Environmental Protection, made pursuant to the Emergency Water Supply Allocation Plan Rules set forth at N. J. A. C. 7:19-1 et seq., do hereby extend the declaration of a state of emergency to include all municipalities of this State and do hereby DECLARE, ORDER and DIRECT as follows:

1. I declare that a state of emergency exists throughout this State by reason of the facts and circumstances set forth above.

2. I invoke such emergency powers as are conferred upon me by the Laws of 1981, chapter 262 (C. 58:1A-1 et seq.); the Laws of 1942, chapter 251 (C. App. A:9-33 et seq.); and all amendments and supplements thereto.

3. The Commissioner of Environmental Protection, the Water Emergency Task Force and the Drought Coordinator are directed, pursuant to C. 58:1A-1 et seq., N. J. A. C. 7:19A-1 et seq., and N. J. A. C. 7:19B-1 et seq., and other relevant laws, to take whatever steps are necessary and proper to alleviate the water emergency and to effectuate this Order. An administrative order to be issued by the Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall set forth with specificity the particular phase of the drought and the appropriate restrictions which apply in the various regions of the State.

4. It shall be the duty of every person in this State or doing business in this State, and the members of the governing body, and of each and every official, agent or employee of every political subdivision in this State and of each member of all other governmental bodies, agencies and authorities in this State of any nature whatsoever, to fully cooperate in all matters concerning this water emergency.

5. It is essential that all citizens of this State realize that water conservation efforts are essential. Water saved now could help to save someone's job in the near future since the imposition of more drastic water restrictions could require curtailment of industrial and commercial establishments.

6. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this Order or shall impede or interfere with any action ordered or
taken pursuant to this Order shall be subject to the penalties pro-
vided by law under C. 58:1A-1 et seq. and C. App. A:9-49 et seq.

7. This Order supersedes Executive Order No. 97 and shall
remain in effect until terminated by action of the Governor.

8. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Issued May 16, 1985.

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 103

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the State of New Jersey to develop a
coordinated and unified strategy for effective implementation of
a program to attempt to eliminate elderly abuse and to offer
assistance to the victims of such abuse; and

WHEREAS, The United States House of Representatives Select Com-
mittee on Aging has reported that it estimates only one case in
six of elderly abuse is reported; and it is estimated that the
number of elderly abuse cases may number as high as one
million a year nationally; and

WHEREAS, The most vulnerable of the elderly, especially older
women, are most frequently the victims of abuse, ranging from
financial extortion to physical violence; and

WHEREAS, No accurate accounting of the number or degree of acts
of crime against the elderly is available, nor is a coordinated
approach to understanding and combating such crimes in opera-
tion in the State;

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

1. There is hereby created a New Jersey Advisory Council on
   Elderly Abuse. The New Jersey Advisory Council on Elderly
   Abuse shall continue in existence until March 1, 1986. The Advi-
   sory Council shall be composed of 21 members, consisting of the
   following 19 organizational representatives or their respective