

# Executive Orders

## EXECUTIVE ORDER MJF 99-38

### Compensation of Board of Parole

WHEREAS, Act No. 900 of the 1999 Regular Legislative Session (hereafter "Act"), effective August 15, 1999, changed the manner in which the actual annual salaries of the chairman, vice-chairman, and members of the Board of Parole (hereafter "Board") are determined;

WHEREAS, the Act amended R.S. 15:574.2(A)(3) to change the annual salaries of the chairman, vice-chairman, and members of the Board from a pre-fixed amount to an amount "authorized by executive order of the governor" which is subject to the statutory limits provided in R.S. 15:574.2(A)(3); and

WHEREAS, R.S. 15:574.2(A)(3), as amended, provides that the Board's chairman shall receive an annual salary not to exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), vice-chairman shall receive an annual salary not to exceed (\$47,000), and members shall receive an annual salary not to exceed forty-four thousand dollars (\$44,000);

NOW THEREFORE, I, M.J. "MIKE" FOSTER, JR., Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: Pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 15:574.2(A)(3), as amended by Act No. 900 of the 1999 Regular Legislative Session, effective August 15, 1999, the following annual salaries are authorized for the chairman, vice-chairman, and members of the Board of Parole (hereafter "Board"):

A. The Board's chairman shall receive an annual salary of forty-five thousand one hundred dollars (\$45,100);

B. The Board's vice-chairman shall receive an annual salary of thirty-eight thousand eight hundred dollars (\$38,800); and

C. All other Board members shall receive an annual salary of thirty-seven thousand eight hundred dollars (\$37,800).

SECTION 2: All departments, commissions, boards, agencies, and officers of the state, or any political subdivision thereof, are authorized and directed to cooperate with the implementation of the provisions of this Order.

SECTION 3: The provisions of this Order shall be retroactive to August 15, 1999, and shall continue in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 17th day of August, 1999.

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.  
Governor

ATTEST BY  
THE GOVERNOR  
Fox McKeithen  
Secretary of State  
9909#005

## EXECUTIVE ORDER MJF 99-39

### Office of Community Programs

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. MJF 99-14, signed on March 26, 1999, established the Office of Community Programs within the Office of the Governor; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. MJF 99-33, signed on July 9, 1999, transferred an additional division of the Office of the Governor to the Office of Community Programs; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend Executive Order No. MJF 99-14, as amended by Executive Order No. MJF 99-33, to transfer another division of the Office of the Governor to the Office of Community Programs;

NOW THEREFORE, I, M.J. "MIKE" FOSTER, JR., Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: Section 2 of Executive Order No. MJF 99-14 is amended to provide as follows:

The Office shall be composed of the following agencies and divisions of the Office of the Governor:

A. Office of Disability Affairs (R.S. 46:2581, *et seq.*);

B. Office of Elderly Affairs (R.S. 46:931, *et seq.*);

C. Office of Indian Affairs (R.S. 46:2301, *et seq.*);

D. Office of Municipal Affairs;

E. Louisiana State Interagency Coordinating Council for Child Net (R.S. 17:1979 and R.S. 36.4(R));

F. Office of Rural Development (R.S. 3:314, *et seq.*);

G. Louisiana Abstinence Education Project (Executive Order No. MJF 98-11, as amended by Executive Order No. MJF 99-13);

H. Louisiana State Troops to Teachers Placement Assistance Program (Memorandum of Agreement dated February 2, 1995);

I. Office of Urban Affairs and Development (Executive Order No. MJF 96-47);

J. Office of Women's Services (R.S. 46:2521, *et seq.*);

K. Governor's Office of Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities; and

L. Administrative Program for the Drug Policy Board.

SECTION 2: Executive Order No. MJF 99-33, signed on July 9, 1999, is terminated and rescinded.

SECTION 3: All other sections and subsections of Executive Order No. MJF 99-14 shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4: The provisions of this Order are effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 18th day of August, 1999.

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.  
Governor

ATTEST BY  
THE GOVERNOR  
Fox McKeithen  
Secretary of State  
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#### EXECUTIVE ORDER MJF 99-40

Louisiana Commemorative Coin Advisory Commission

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. MJF 99-36, signed on July 30, 1999, established the Louisiana Commemorative Coin Advisory Commission; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend Executive Order No. MJF 99-36 in order to add additional members to the Commission;

NOW THEREFORE, I, M.J. "MIKE" FOSTER, JR., Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: Section 4 of Executive Order No. MJF 99-36 is amended to provide as follows:

The Commission shall be composed of a maximum of eighteen (18) members appointed by, and serving at the pleasure of, the governor. The membership of the Commission shall be selected as follows:

A. The governor, or the governor's designee;

B. The state treasurer, or the state treasurer's designee;

C. A collector of Louisiana currency printed subsequent to Louisiana's admittance into the Union in 1812;

D. A collector of coins minted at the New Orleans Mint; and

E. A minimum of seven (7) and a maximum of fourteen (14) citizens of the state of Louisiana knowledgeable about rare coins and/or the geography, flora, fauna, history, political development, and/or natural heritage of the state of Louisiana selected from the seven (7) congressional districts of Louisiana.

SECTION 2: All other sections and subsections of Executive Order No. MJF 99-36 shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3: The provisions of this Order are effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 18th day of August, 1999.

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.  
Governor

ATTEST BY  
THE GOVERNOR  
Fox McKeithen  
Secretary of State  
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#### EXECUTIVE ORDER MJF 99-41

School Finance Commission

WHEREAS, having a quality public education system is essential for the long-term success of Louisiana's economy;

WHEREAS, there is a constitutional obligation to provide a minimum foundation of education for all public elementary and secondary schools;

WHEREAS, the state has fulfilled its commitment to fully fund the state share of the current minimum foundation program (hereafter "MFP") formula;

WHEREAS, there have been a number of resolutions enacted by the legislature requesting the study of various aspects of the current MFP; and

WHEREAS, the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (hereafter "BESE") has indicated a commitment to examine the current MFP to determine possible improvements;

NOW THEREFORE I, M.J. "MIKE" FOSTER, JR., Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested through the Constitution and the laws of the state of Louisiana do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: The School Finance Commission (hereafter "Commission") is created as a partnership of the Office of the Governor, the Louisiana Legislature, and BESE.

SECTION 2: The duties and functions of the Commission shall include an analysis of financing the public

education system in Louisiana and making written recommendations regarding said financing including, but not limited to, addressing the following issues:

A. Evaluating the viability of the current goals of the MFP, determining whether there is a need to modify, delete or supplement the current goals, including whether it is appropriate or desirable to add goals or targets related to:

1. Teacher salaries;
2. The School and District Accountability System or related objectives;
3. Remediation programs; and
4. Other classroom based supports.

B. The adequacy of funding the costs of a minimum foundation of education for children in Louisiana, including the following:

1. The adequacy of the method used to determine the cost of educating our children, including identification of excluded costs;
2. Whether to use per pupil calculations or specified inputs to determine the cost;
3. The weighting of factors, including the adequacy of existing weighted factors; and
4. Whether to delete existing weighted factors or add other weighted factors such as teacher salaries, remediation programs, alternative school programs.

C. The equitable distribution of the funds to the local school districts, including the following:

1. The equity of current state and local support requirements and the barriers to obtaining larger levels of support;
2. Whether or not to eliminate the status of certain districts (i.e., hold harmless districts) and, if so, how to do so;
3. Addressing the concern that hold harmless districts do not receive new monies with increased formula funding;
4. The method of determining the balance between local and state support, including the possibility of having state funds being used for certain expenditures and local funds for other expenditures;
5. Whether the existing formula adequately evaluates the relative wealth of local school districts; and
6. The goal of Level 2 funding and the effectiveness of achieving that goal.

D. Whether to direct, target or mandate the uses or application of existing or new funds provided by the state including, but not limited to, the following:

1. The use of Level 3 funding and its impact on hold harmless local school districts;
2. The impact of line item appropriations on hold harmless local school districts;
3. In the event new funds are added to the MFP, whether the MFP should direct local districts to use larger percentages of new funding for specific purposes such as for teacher salaries, accountability, remediation programs, and other classroom based supports;
4. The desirability of having state funds being dedicated for certain expenditures and local funds dedicated for other expenditures; and
5. The impact of existing BESE or legislative mandates on the ability of the local school districts to expend existing funds which are already directed, targeted or mandated, such as: state minimum teacher salary schedule

laws, class size requirements, classroom instruction requirements, special education requirements, student remediation requirements, School and District Accountability requirements, transportation laws, and school food service requirements.

E. Modifying the MFP such that funding follows students to the place where they are being educated, by reviewing the following: part time student funding, multiple student count dates, and other means.

F. Greater simplification of the MFP formula, to the extent consistent with the goals of the MFP.

G. Evaluation of the existing method of providing legislative input in the development of the MFP, and developing appropriate methods to achieve greater legislative input.

SECTION 3: The Commission shall begin work by September 30, 1999, and submit a series of at least three reports. The first shall be completed by March 1, 2000, and offer recommendations on the issues set forth in Section 2 related to ways that the MFP could be used to assure teachers and other employees' salaries reach levels comparable to applicable SREB states; the issues related to enhanced legislative input; simplification of the formula; the impact of existing state mandates; student counts; and weighted factors. The final report shall be due by March 1, 2001, and shall address all remaining issues set forth in Section 2 not covered in the initial reports.

SECTION 4: The Commission shall be composed of twenty-seven (27) members who have committed to attend all meetings of the Commission and who shall be appointed by the governor, president of the Senate, speaker of the House of Representatives, president of BESE, or as noted below.

A. Six (6) members appointed by the governor, including:

1. The chief of staff, or the chief of staff's designee;
2. The commissioner of administration, or the commissioner's designee; and
3. Four (4) business, university, or community representatives.

B. Six (6) members representing the Louisiana Legislature, including:

1. Three (3) members of the Senate as appointed by the president of the Senate; and
2. Three (3) members of the House of Representatives as appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives.

C. Twelve (12) members as appointed by the president of BESE, including:

1. Five (5) BESE members;
2. The superintendent of the Department of Education, or the superintendent's designee; and
3. Six (6) school district or local school board representatives.

D. Three (3) teacher representatives, one each appointed by the following organizations: Louisiana Federation of Teachers, Louisiana Association of Educators, and Associated Professional Educators of Louisiana.

SECTION 5: The governor shall appoint the chair from its membership. Any other officers shall be elected by the Commission.

SECTION 6: The Commission shall operate using a four-member executive committee which shall be created by

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**Secondary School Redesign Study Commission**

having the governor, president of the Senate, speaker of the House of Representatives, and the president of BESE each appointing one member. The superintendent of Department of Education shall serve as an ex officio member of the executive committee. Such executive committee shall identify and oversee the work of any staffing support for the Commission, and shall work with the chair to establish the agendas and work plan for each meeting.

SECTION 7: The Commission shall utilize the expertise of one or more national school finance experts and one or more state experts, with such experts being selected by the executive committee. The superintendent of the Department of Education shall have the responsibility of identifying possible candidates and making recommendations to the executive committee in a time frame that ensures the completion of all necessary paperwork to allow one or more of these experts to actually begin consulting work no later than September 1, 1999. Costs associated with the services of such experts shall be covered by BESE using funds appropriated by the legislature for such purpose. Such experts shall report to and follow the directions of the executive committee.

SECTION 8: The Commission shall provide the opportunity for input from other legislators, BESE members, school district officials, community leaders, parents, and others not formally serving as a Commission member.

SECTION 9: The Commission shall meet at regularly scheduled intervals and at the call of the chair. A simple majority of the members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. All formal actions of the Commission shall require a majority vote of the members of the Commission present, with a quorum being fourteen (14) members.

SECTION 10: Commission members shall not receive compensation or a per diem, unless provided for by their own organization. Commission members may receive reimbursement for actual travel expenses, in accordance with state guidelines and procedures, using funds appropriated to BESE by the legislature for overall Commission activities.

SECTION 11: All departments, commissions, boards, agencies, and officers of the state, or any political subdivision thereof, are authorized and directed to cooperate with the Commission in implementing the provisions of this Order.

SECTION 12: This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until March 1, 2001, or until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 26th day of August, 1999.

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.  
Governor

ATTEST BY  
THE GOVERNOR  
Fox McKeithen  
Secretary of State  
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WHEREAS, Louisiana's economy during the 21<sup>st</sup> century requires a workforce with a strong academic foundation and technological competence, and therefore all schools must better prepare students for further education and work;

WHEREAS, it is essential that every Louisiana student obtain a high school education that allows that student to become a productive citizen in this new economy;

WHEREAS, Louisiana's new content standards, testing program, and accountability system require that all students and schools perform at higher levels than previously required;

WHEREAS, Louisiana's current system of secondary education does not consistently provide clear pathways which include and integrate academic, technical, and vocational learning, nor has it established strong linkages with the state's community and technical colleges;

WHEREAS, it is essential to ensure that all students have multiple pathway options available to them throughout their high school career, that emphasize both academic and career preparation; and

WHEREAS, given the many K-12 reforms underway, now is an appropriate time to carefully review all policies governing the state's current system of secondary education;

NOW THEREFORE I, M.J. "MIKE" FOSTER, JR., Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested through the Constitution and the laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: The Secondary School Redesign Study Commission (hereafter "Commission") is created within the executive department, Office of the Governor.

SECTION 2: The Commission shall perform all of its duties in close association with the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (hereafter "BESE"), the Louisiana Community and Technical College Board, and state superintendent of the Department of Education.

SECTION 3: The duties and functions of the Commission shall include the recommendation of state policy changes leading to an improved secondary school system offering clear multiple pathways for all Louisiana youth, including those choosing to immediately begin full-time employment, those who enter an apprenticeship or a two-year college, or those who pursue a four-year degree. In making these recommendations, an examination of at least the following shall occur:

- A. A review of best practices within other states regarding effective secondary school system and policies;
- B. The key factors driving Louisiana's current dropout rate and strategies for significantly increasing the number of students who stay in school and graduate;
- C. The types of safeguards needed to ensure that all secondary students will continue to have the option of choosing between various career pathways;
- D. Necessary policy changes to help create an extensive system of alternative and other more career-based schools serving diverse students at flexible times and varied locations;

E. Necessary policy changes to help create a stronger linkage between K-12 school systems, the Louisiana Community and Technical College system, and all of post-secondary education including possible funding flow changes, whereby high school students may be engaged in dual high school/postsecondary enrollment options;

F. An examination of how the new 8<sup>th</sup> grade LEAP 21 tests and the planned upgrading of the high school exit exam best fit in an overall secondary school redesign; and

G. Any special considerations for special education students who may not be able to pass the new state LEAP 21 tests, but are capable of doing more than receiving the state's current certificate of attendance;

SECTION 4: The Commission shall submit a written report to the governor, BESE, and the Louisiana Community and Technical College Board by March 1, 2000, which addresses the issues set forth in Section 2. Based upon progress made by the Commission, the governor may request that additional work be completed, with a final report required by no later than March 1, 2001.

SECTION 5: The Commission shall be composed of thirty-two (32) members who shall be appointed by, and serve at the pleasure of, the governor selected as follows:

- A. The governor, or the governor's designee;
- B. The governor's chief of staff, or the chief of staff's designee;
- C. Two (2) members of the Louisiana state Senate;
- D. Two (2) members of the Louisiana House of Representatives;
- E. Four (4) members of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE);
- F. The superintendent of the Department of Education or the superintendent's designee;
- G. Two (2) members of the Louisiana Community and Technical College Board;
- H. The president of the Louisiana Community and Technical College System, or the president's designee;
- I. One (1) member of the Louisiana Workforce Commission;
- J. The executive director of the Louisiana Workforce Commission, or the executive director's designee;
- K. An employer representative;
- L. A representative from the Louisiana School Boards Association;
- M. A superintendent of a school system in an urban area;
- N. A superintendent of a school system in a rural area;
- O. A central office administrator within a school system in an urban area;
- P. A principal from a high school that has implemented the "High Schools That Work" model and/or extensive career academies;
- Q. A principal of an alternative or vocational school;
- R. A representative of the Louisiana Federation of Teachers;
- S. A representative of the Louisiana Association of Educators;
- T. A representative of the Associated Professional Educators of Louisiana;
- U. A special education teacher or supervisor;
- V. A parent representative;

W. A representative of the Council for a Better Louisiana;

X. A representative of the Louisiana Association of Business and Industry;

Y. A representative of a School-to-Work project; and

Z. A representative of the AFL-CIO.

SECTION 6: The governor shall select the chair of the Commission from its membership. All other officers shall be elected by the membership of the Commission.

SECTION 7: The Commission shall be staffed by a team representing at least the Department of Education, the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE), the Office of the Governor, and the Community and Technical College Board. The Department of Education shall play the lead staffing role and ensure that all appropriate professional and logistical work is completed.

SECTION 8: The Commission shall meet at regularly scheduled intervals and at the call of the chair. A simple majority of the members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. All formal actions of the Commission shall require a majority vote of the members of the Commission present to constitute a quorum.

SECTION 9: The members of the Commission shall not receive additional compensation or a per diem from the Office of the Governor. Contingent upon the availability of funds, Commission members may receive reimbursement for actual travel expenses incurred, in accordance with state guidelines and procedures.

SECTION 10: All departments, commissions, boards, agencies, and officers of the state, or any political subdivision thereof, are authorized and directed to cooperate with the Commission in implementing the provisions of this Order.

SECTION 11: The provisions of this Order are effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until March 1, 2001, unless modified, terminated or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1999.

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.  
Governor

ATTEST BY  
THE GOVERNOR  
Fox McKeithen  
Secretary of State  
9909#084

#### EXECUTIVE ORDER MJF 99-43

Bond Allocation—Industrial Development Board of the City of New Orleans, Louisiana, Inc.

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. MJF 99-28, issued on July 9, 1999, granted a private activity bond allocation from the 1999 private activity bond volume limit to the Industrial Development Board of the City of New Orleans, Louisiana, Inc., for a bond issue in accordance with the requirements of Executive Order No. MJF 96-25; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend Executive Order No. MJF 99-28 in order to extend the time period in which the bond issue may be delivered to initial purchasers;

NOW THEREFORE I, M.J. "MIKE" FOSTER, JR., Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: Section 3 of Executive Order No. MJF 99-28 is hereby modified to provide as follows:

The granted allocation shall be valid and in full force and effect through the end of 1999, provided that such bonds are delivered to the initial purchasers thereof on or before December 15, 1999.

SECTION 2: All other sections of Executive Order No. MJF 99-28 shall remain in full force and effect, and are not affected by the provisions of this Order.

SECTION 3: The provisions of this Order are effective upon signature.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 7th day of September, 1999.

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.  
Governor

ATTEST BY  
THE GOVERNOR  
Fox McKeithen  
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#### **EXECUTIVE ORDER MJF 99-44**

##### **Governor Jimmie Davis Sunshine Award**

WHEREAS, James Houston "Jimmie" Davis, who was born in a sharecropper's cabin near the village of Quitman, parish of Jackson, on September 11, 1899, matured to become a history teacher, basketball coach, world renowned song writer and entertainer, clerk of criminal court, commissioner of public safety for the city of Shreveport, state public service commissioner, and governor of the state of Louisiana;

WHEREAS, former Governor Jimmie Davis brought recognition and acclaim to the state of Louisiana, and also joy to people worldwide, by introducing Cajun music to country music listeners, starring in movies, being inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame in 1972, and writing more than 300 songs, including "You Are My Sunshine";

WHEREAS, during his two non-consecutive terms as governor of the state of Louisiana, former Governor Jimmie Davis created the State Employees Retirement System, re-created the Department of Civil Service, built seven (7) hospitals, built the present Governor's Mansion, built many major bridges, including the Sunshine Bridge, and established many recreational areas including the Toledo Bend Reservoir;

WHEREAS, on January 23, 1999, the Louisiana Political Hall of Fame Museum in Winnfield, bestowed on former Governor Jimmie Davis the museum's first "Politician of the Century" award for the citizen of the state of Louisiana who most personifies the greatest qualities a public servant can possess and, in honor of that event, Governor M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr., proclaimed January 23, 1999, as Jimmie Davis Day; and

WHEREAS, the interests of the citizens of the state of Louisiana are best served by honoring the public service contributions of former Governor Jimmie Davis by celebrating his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday through the issuance of a proclamation declaring September, 1999, as Jimmie Davis Month and the creation of a public service award in his name;

NOW THEREFORE, I, M.J. "MIKE" FOSTER, JR., Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: The "Governor Jimmie Davis Sunshine Award" is hereby created to recognize the state public servant whose public service brought the most "sunshine" into the lives of the citizens of the state of Louisiana, or a significant portion thereof, during the prior calendar year (hereafter "award"). The recipient of the annual award shall be announced by the governor of the state of Louisiana following his address to both houses of the Louisiana Legislature on the first day the Louisiana Legislature meets in regular session.

##### **SECTION 2:**

A. Nominations for award recipients shall be submitted to the governor by each of the three branches of state government. The president of the Louisiana Senate, the speaker of the Louisiana House of Representatives, the chief justice of the Louisiana Supreme Court, and the statewide elected officials and appointed department heads in the executive branch shall submit separate lists of nominees to the governor no later than January 31<sup>st</sup> of each year. Each nomination shall be accompanied by sufficient information and/or documentation to support the nominee's nomination and to provide a basis to evaluate the significance of the nominee's state public service, humanitarian, and/or civic acts, actions, and/or deeds, and the manner in which they benefitted the citizens of the state of Louisiana.

B. Each nominee must be an officer or employee of the state of Louisiana whose public service, humanitarian and/or civic acts, actions, or deeds during the prior calendar year brought "sunshine" into the lives of the citizens of the state of Louisiana or a sizeable segment thereof, by benefitting or significantly improving their quality of life.

C. The governor will appoint a five (5) member board to select the award recipient. No board member shall be an officer or an employee of the state of Louisiana. The board shall be composed of two (2) members selected by the Governor; one (1) member selected by the president of the Louisiana Senate; one (1) member selected by the speaker of

the House of Representatives; and one (1) member selected by the chief justice of the Louisiana Supreme Court.

SECTION 3: All departments, commissions, boards, agencies, and officers of the state, or any political subdivision thereof, are authorized and directed to cooperate in the implementation of the provisions of this Order.

SECTION 4: This Order is effective upon signature and shall continue in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 10th day of September, 1999.

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.  
Governor

ATTEST BY  
THE GOVERNOR  
Fox McKeithen  
Secretary of State  
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