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DESIGNATION OF NON-SMOKING AREAS FOR STATE EMPLOYEES

WHEREAS, medical evidence released by the U. S. Public Health Service shows that non-smokers can be exposed to certain health hazards as a result of exposure to tobacco smoke in their environment; and

WHEREAS, both smokers and non-smokers have a right to a choice with respect to their environment; and

WHEREAS, State agencies should act affirmatively to designate and identify both working and leisure areas in public buildings that offer this choice;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JAMES B. LONGLEY, Governor of the State of Maine, direct all agency heads to identify non-smoking areas for employees who choose to work in a smoke free environment. These should include:

- 1) Work areas as well as conference and meeting rooms;
- 2) Cafeteria and employee lounge areas where space permits; and
- 3) Certain public areas within State buildings.

The Bureau of Public Improvements shall cooperate with agency heads in appropriately identifying non-smoking areas.

All State employees are requested to cooperate with non-smoking designations.



JAMES B. LONGLEY
Governor