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AN ORDER DIRECTING STATE GOVERNMENT TO COORDINATE STATE RESOURCES TO ADDRESS MAJOR WORKFORCE REDUCTIONS

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WHEREAS, Executive Order 03 FY 06/07 (dated August 25, 2005) created the Office of Redevelopment and Re-employment in response to the recommendation of the Base Closure and Realignment Commission to close the Brunswick Naval Air Station; and

WHEREAS, the closure of the Brunswick Naval Air Station is in addition to other recent major workforce reductions within the State; and

WHEREAS, the Maine workforce represents all that is good about the State's citizens; and

WHEREAS, State government has an opportunity to harness its resources, as an employer, a regulator of professions, a purchaser of contracted services and a provider of education and workforce training:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John E. Baldacci, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby direct all Commissioners and Directors to report back to me by September 15, 2005, on strategies that may be employed to assist individuals displaced as a result of major workforce reductions at the Brunswick Naval Air Station and other large scale work force employers in the State of Maine.

The effective date of this Executive Order is September 1, 2005.

John E. Baldacci