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By virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Maine, pursuant to the Constitution and applicable statutes of the State of Maine, it is ordered as follows:

SECTION 1. The State of Maine and its political subdivisions should preserve and develop such quality and quantity of outdoor recreation resources as may be available and necessary and desirable for individual active participation in such recreation. It is the purpose of this executive order to provide authority to enable the State of Maine and its political subdivisions to participate in the benefits of the "Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965," for the planning and development of outdoor recreation resources, including the acquisition of needed land and water areas and facilities and interest therein.

SECTION 2. The Director of the State Park and Recreation Commission is hereby appointed and designated the authorized representative of the State of Maine with authority to represent and act for the State under the provisions of the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 (hereinafter called "Act"). Said authorized representative is authorized to supervise the preparation and to supervise the work necessary to maintain and keep up-to-date a comprehensive statewide outdoor recreation plan for the development of outdoor recreational resources of the State (hereinafter called "Plan"). The State Park and Recreation Commission (hereinafter called "Commission") is authorized by the provisions of Title 12, Chapter 203, to develop, operate, and maintain outdoor recreation areas and facilities of the State, and to acquire land, waters, and interest in land and waters for such areas and facilities as provided for by the aforesaid applicable law. Accordingly, the Commission may enter into contracts and agreements with the United States or any appropriate agency thereof, keep financial records relating thereto and furnish appropriate officials and agencies of the United States Government and agencies thereof to perform their duties under such Federal programs. In connection with obtaining for the State of Maine the benefits of any such program, the Commission shall submit a Comprehensive State Outdoor Recreation Plan to the Secretary of the Interior and shall coordinate its activities with and represent the interest of all appropriate agencies and departments of the State and of the municipal and other governmental units and subdivisions of the State of Maine having interest in the planning, development and maintenance of outdoor recreation resources and facilities within the State.

SECTION 3. The Commission is fully empowered to accept and to administer Federal funds paid under said Act for approved projects, and such powers and functions are hereby fully recognized, ratified, approved, and confirmed under the intention of this executive order. Before each project may be undertaken, determination must be made that sufficient funds or services in kind are available to it for meeting the State's share of project costs. It is the intent of this executive order that, to such extent as may be necessary to assure the proper operation and maintenance of areas and facilities acquired or developed pursuant to any program participated in by this State under the authority of this Act by any of its agencies or departments, such areas and facilities shall be publicly maintained for outdoor recreation purposes. The Commission may enter into and administer agreements with the United States or any appropriate agency thereof for the planning, acquiring, or developing of projects involving participating

Federal assistance funds on behalf of any county, municipality or other governmental unit which gives necessary assurances to the Commission that it has available sufficient funds or services in kind to meet its share of the cost of this project and that the acquired or developed areas will be operated and maintained at its expense for public outdoor recreation use.

IN FAITH WHEREOF, I have affixed by official signature and thereby authorized that this Executive Order be issued and become effective on this the Third day of February, A.D., 1970.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Kenneth M. Curtis".

Governor