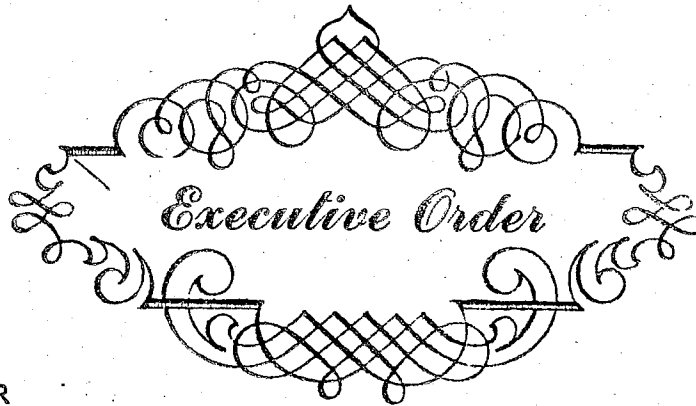


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TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE MAINE HUMAN RIGHTS ACT


WHEREAS, human rights are among the most precious possessions of the citizens of Maine; and

WHEREAS, it is a duty and obligation of the government of the State of Maine to enforce its laws to insure equal rights and equal treatment for all; and

WHEREAS, laws concerning equal and human rights should be constantly examined to make certain that they afford equal protection to all;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JAMES B. LONGLEY, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MAINE, do hereby establish a Special Task Force to study the Maine Human Rights Act. The Task Force is created for the sole purpose of examining the Maine Human Rights Act and related statutes to determine what, if any, changes need to be made to better provide for equal rights and equal opportunity for all the citizens of the State of Maine. The membership of the Committee shall include, but not be limited to, representatives of minority groups, women's groups, the education community, industry and the State Personnel Department. The membership and a chairman shall be appointed by the Governor and the Task Force shall be dissolved upon completion of its findings and upon the submission of such findings and recommendations to the Governor. This report shall be made no later than August 15, 1977.

The chairperson of the Maine Human Rights Commission shall serve as an ex-officio member of the Task Force.


JAMES B. LONGLEY
Governor