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OFFICE OF
THE GOVERNOR

NO. 13 FY 91/92
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ORDER ESTABLISHING THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL
ON PHYSICAL FITNESS & SPORTS

WHEREAS, improved physical fitness will give Maine students a competitive edge in the world of work, in pursuit of higher education and in day-to-day living; and

WHEREAS, the ability of Maine's public education system to foster physical fitness is essential to the State's long-term economic health and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, Maine's business community has an important stake in the success of our public education system in preparing Maine students for success in the workplace; and

WHEREAS, state government must look at resourceful ways to meet the physical fitness and health needs of Maine children; and

WHEREAS, coordination, oversight and direction are needed to accomplish the above goals;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John R. McKernan, Jr., Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby establish The Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Council is to make recommendations to the State regarding physical fitness initiatives and to facilitate projects that will improve the physical fitness of Maine students.

MEMBERSHIP

The Council may have up to twenty members, representing a broad spectrum of interest groups that include but are not limited to the business community, the elementary and secondary school system, health and medical professions and sports fitness organizations. The Chair will be appointed by the Governor and will serve at his pleasure. The Department of Education will assist in staffing the Council, when possible.

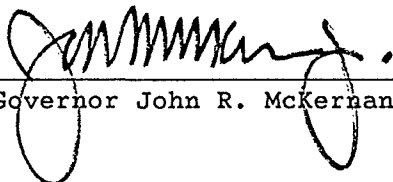
FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES

1. Recommend to the Governor and the Legislature initiatives regarding physical fitness.
2. Initiate programs that will provide greater physical fitness opportunities for Maine students.
3. Act as a liaison for national organizations and interest groups.
4. Raise public awareness of physical fitness initiatives.
5. Facilitate collaboration among schools, business, industry and physical fitness advocates.
6. Identify issues appropriate for legislative and administrative action.
7. Supplement and complement activities of the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports.

FUNDING

Members of the Council shall serve without compensation. Funding of Council activities shall be raised from private sources.

The effective date of this Order is January 31, 1992.


Governor John R. McKernan, Jr.