State of New Hampshire By Her Excellency

Jeanne Shaheen, Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2002-3

An order establishing the Governor's Council on Physical Activity and Health

WHEREAS, the well-being of New Hampshire citizens is directly related to the quality of their physical activity and health; and

WHEREAS, a regular program of physical activity for children and adults can reduce obesity, the risk of heart disease, and other health problems; and

WHEREAS, there exists a need for a council to promote physical activity and health initiatives through existing programs, new programs, and advocating for state and local legislation supporting these programs; and

WHEREAS, the development of a partnership among government, private citizens, and business would assist in accomplishing the goal of increasing physical activity and improving the health of all New Hampshire citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jeanne Shaheen, Governor of the State of New Hampshire, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me pursuant to Part II, Article 41 of the New Hampshire Constitution, do hereby order the following:

- 1. The Governor's Council on Physical Activity and Health is hereby established for the purpose of advising the Governor regarding physical activity policy and issues and to promote and improve the physical activity opportunities for all citizens of New Hampshire, with emphasis placed on children and youth, grades K-12.
- 2. The Governor shall appoint a minimum of ten (10) and a maximum of twenty-one (21) members to serve on the Council. At least one member of the Council shall represent the State Department of Health and Human Services; the State Department of Education; business and industry; senior citizens; people with disabilities; local school systems; higher education; recreation and sports; health professionals; and youth serving organizations.
- 3. The Council may recommend to the Governor members possessing background and expertise to help carry out the mission of the Council.
- 4. The term of office for each member of the Council shall be for three years.
- 5. The Governor shall appoint a chairperson.
- 6. Council members shall serve voluntarily and will receive no compensation for their services.
- 7. The current members of the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness are appointed effective today to serve on the Governor's Council on Physical Activity and Health established by this order.
- 8. Executive Order 91-3 and all previous Executive Orders inconsistent with this Order are hereby revoked.

Given under my hand and seal at the Executive Chambers in Concord, this year 15 day of our Lord, two thousand and two

OVE GOVERNOR HAMPSHIRE