Executive Order WPC-1 is amended as follows and shall be known as WPC-1 as Amended April 14, 1982.

ESTABLISHING THE MAYORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE GOVERNOR; PRESCRIBING ITS DUTIES; FUNCTIONS; AND METHODS OF OPERATION

WHEREAS, many actions by the Federal Government and the State of Texas through legislation and regulation directly affect Texans living or working in the cities of Texas and their city governments; and

WHEREAS, mayors are locally elected, are close to the people, and are able spokespersons for the cities and the citizens residing therein; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of a meaningful communication mechanism between the cities and the Governor will promote an understanding of problems and issues and will facilitate their resolution through the proper cooperation and coordination of the activities of the office of the Governor and the Mayors of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of a permanent advisory committee of mayors to have direct input to the Governor of Texas and to serve as a sounding board for his policies and programs will greatly assist both the Governor and Mayors throughout the state in the performance of their duties; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of Texas is the highest elected officer of this state and is directed by constitution, statute, and tradition to be the chief spokesman for the State of Texas in dealing with the federal government; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of Texas is the proper officer to receive input from and to coordinate state actions with the mayors of the cities of Texas.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, William P. Clements, Jr., Governor of Texas, under the authority vested in me, do hereby create and establish the MAYORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE GOVERNOR, hereinafter referred to as COMMITTEE.

Said COMMITTEE will consist of at least thirty mayors, designated by the Governor, broadly representative of each region of the state with a proper balance between cities of various sizes. Members will serve at the pleasure of the Governor for terms expiring on the first day of April of even numbered years. The Governor shall designate a chairman who shall hold such designation at the pleasure of the Governor.

Members will serve in a volunteer capacity without state pay and without state reimbursement for travel expenses.

Said COMMITTEE is directed to meet at least once annually and other times as may be directed by the Chairman or the Governor.
Given the New Federalism initiative of the Reagan Administration, said COMMITTEE will thoroughly investigate those areas of governmental responsibility which could be transferred to local government. In addition, the COMMITTEE should examine those programs which are currently funded and managed at the local level in terms of their efficiency and effectiveness and make recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature as to how these programs could be improved to provide maximum service at the lowest possible cost to the taxpayer.

Said COMMITTEE shall, in addition to the agenda set by its Chairman, make such studies and reports as the Governor may from time to time request and shall keep the Governor and the other Mayors throughout Texas advised as to the COMMITTEE's activities.

All state agencies in the Executive Department of Texas are hereby directed to assist fully the COMMITTEE in the performance of its duties.

This amendment of WPC-1 shall be effective immediately and shall remain in full force and effect until modified, amended, or rescinded by me.

The complete text of WPC-1 as Amended April 14, 1982, is as attached.

Given under my hand this 14th day of April, 1982.

WILLIAM P. CLEMENTS, JR.
Governor of Texas

DAVID A. DEAN
Secretary of State

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