

population, although of course we may expect varying points of view on particular aspects of it. There is unusual timeliness in the observation of Thomas Jefferson "that laws and institutions must go hand in hand with the progress of the human mind," and as the human mind "becomes more developed, more enlightened — institutions must advance also and keep pace with the times." In these closing months of my eight years as Governor of the State I know of no legacy I would rather leave the people, in gratitude for the deeply satisfying years of public service they have allowed me, than a strong start on the modernization and strengthening of the Executive arm of our Government.