

WILLIAM DONALD SCHAEFER, Governor

requires that each State receiving financial assistance under the act must establish a State Planning council which will serve as an advocate for persons with developmental disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Maryland has had a State Planning council within State government since 1971 and was re-constituted in Executive Order 01.01.1973.08; and

WHEREAS, The Maryland State Planning council on developmental Disabilities serves within the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; and

WHEREAS, Federal regulations require that State Planning Councils must plan, monitor, and evaluate services for developmentally disabled persons; and

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland wishes to enhance services and policies affecting disabled citizens; and

WHEREAS, The Office for Handicapped Individuals is also charged with monitoring and encouraging State government compliance with laws and policies affecting handicapped individuals and recommending changes on behalf of handicapped individuals pursuant to Section 9-1105 of the State Government Article; and

WHEREAS, The Governor has the power under Article II, Section 24 of the Maryland Constitution and Section 8-301 of the State Government Article to order, not inconsistent with law, such reorganizations as he may deem necessary and desirable.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM DONALD SCHAEFER, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROMULGATE THE FOLLOWING ORDER AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER 01.01.1973.08:

[1. The appointments previously made by me to the State Planning and Advisory Council pursuant to the aforesaid Federal Act; and Regulations are hereby revoked.]

[2. The persons on the attached list are hereby appointed as members of the said State Planning and Advisory Council each to serve at my pleasure.]

A. THERE IS A MARYLAND STATE PLANNING COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES WITHIN THE OFFICE FOR HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS IN THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT.

B. STAFF SUPPORT FOR THE MARYLAND STATE PLANNING COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SHALL BE PROVIDED BY THE OFFICE FOR HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS. SUPERVISION OF STAFF WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE COUNCIL.