

WILLIAM DONALD SCHAEFER, Governor

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TRANSITION TEAM FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

WHEREAS, The Administration Action Plan for Higher Education - 1988, recently signed into law as Chapter 246 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1988, makes dramatic changes in the coordination and governance of higher education in Maryland; and

WHEREAS, Among those changes is the creation of a new Maryland Higher Education Commission in place of the State Board for Higher Education as the State's coordinating entity for all segments of higher education, and the merger of the Board of Regents of the University of Maryland and the Board of Trustees for State Universities and Colleges into the new Board of Regents of the University of Maryland System, the governing body for the largest portion of the public higher education in Maryland; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 246 sets the stage for Maryland to move to the top rank of states in higher education by its reordering of powers, consolidation and delegation of responsibility, and infusion of funds; and

WHEREAS, While Chapter 246 provides the statutory framework and the opportunity for the higher education community to achieve true excellence at all levels, it will be the individuals who are appointed to the new Maryland Higher Education Commission and the new Board of Regents who will be called upon to implement this legislation and make it successful; and

WHEREAS, It is extremely important that the individuals appointed to the Commission and the Board be the most qualified and capable citizens, well-representative of the State, and that they be dedicated to the goals set forth in Chapter 246; and

WHEREAS, To assure that individuals of this caliber are selected, and to provide necessary advice, assistance, and guidance, a Transition Team for Higher Education is to appointed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM DONALD SCHAEFER, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF MARYLAND, HEREBY PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE ORDER:

A. The Transition Team. There is a Governor's Transition Team for Higher Education.

B. Membership and Procedures.