EXECUTIVE ORDER 93-1  
PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE  
GOVERNOR’S COUNCIL ON GOVERNMENT INNOVATION

I, ARNE H. CARLSON, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the applicable statutes, do hereby issue this Executive Order:

WHEREAS, Minnesota Milestones and the Commission on Reform and Efficiency (CORE) have focused on service delivery effectiveness and efficiency at the state government level; and

WHEREAS, 1993 is the 50th anniversary of Minnesota’s Joint Powers Act, which grants wide discretion for intergovernmental agreements; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota’s long tradition of high quality local government services is threatened by cost increases and challenged by changing demographics, necessitating a fundamental change in local government service delivery systems for counties, cities, townships, school districts, postsecondary institutions and all other government units in Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, many units of government have undertaken significant reform leading to cost savings and improved service delivery, but more needs to be done to collect and
analyze relevant data, develop models of reform and make available to all units of Minnesota government the results of these efforts;

NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby order that:

1. A Governor’s Council on Government Innovation shall be established. The Council shall have 15 members, appointed by the Governor. Members shall comprise a broad cross section of Minnesotans interested in reform including representatives from higher education, school districts, counties, cities, townships and the state legislature.

2. The Council shall create an action agenda for reducing costs and improving quality service delivery to Minnesota citizens at the local government level.

3. The Council shall identify barriers, including existing political boundaries, to achieving fundamental change in local government service delivery systems. The Council shall identify means for overcoming these barriers and shall develop reform ideas whose outcomes and cost-efficiency can be tested.

4. The Council shall identify and build on existing models of government innovation, collect and share information on successful and unsuccessful models, and develop models where none now exist.

5. The Council shall create a network of change-oriented representatives from various sectors of government and recommend measures to build trust and ongoing communication among them.

6. The Council shall present its recommendations to the Governor by December 1, 1993.
7. The Office of Strategic and Long Range Planning shall provide staff and administrative support to the Council. Additional support shall be provided by affected state agencies. Council members shall receive no per diem but may be paid expenses in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 1992, Section 15.0593.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1992, Section 4.035, subd. 2, this Order shall be effective fifteen (15) days after publication in the State Register and filing with the Secretary of State and shall remain in effect until rescinded by proper authority or it expires in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 1992, Section 4.035, subd. 3.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand this twenty-sixth day of January, 1993.

ARNE H. CARLSON
Governor

Filed According to Law:

JOAN ANDERSON GROWE
Secretary of State