

EXECUTIVE ORDER 82-08

Establishing the Governor's Tourism Development Council

Travel and the tourism industry constitute the fastest growing sector of our nation's economy and the third-largest sector of our economy in Washington State. Thus proper attention to and support for the tourism industry are essential elements in the revitalization of Washington State's economy. Until recently, effective support has been lacking in an activity that deserves increased concern from both government and the private sector.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Spellman, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby order that:

I. There shall be established a Governor's Tourism Development Council.

II. The Chair of that Council shall be the Director of the Department of Commerce and Economic Development.

III. The Council shall consist of gubernatorial appointees who are active in tourism-related undertakings in the state, who are residents of the state, and who represent such geographic and economic areas as will afford broad and balanced representation. In addition, the majority and minority leaders of the state Senate and the majority and minority leaders of the state House of Representatives shall each be invited to appoint a member to the Council from his or her caucus.

IV. The Council is to act as a sounding board and a source of ideas for the state's tourism efforts and to suggest cooperative efforts in advertising and marketing.

V. The Council shall recommend to the Governor and to the Department of Commerce and Economic Development such programs and policies as may be necessary in order to increase employment and economic activity within the tourism sector of our state's economy.

VI. The Department of Commerce and Economic Development, Tourism Development Division, shall provide administrative support to the Council.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the State of Washington to be affixed at Olympia this 10th day of May A.D., Nineteen hundred and eighty-two.

John Spellman
Governor of Washington

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Secretary of State
