

**EXECUTIVE ORDER 71-02**

**CREATING THE WASHINGTON STATE WOMEN'S COUNCIL**

The rapid rate of change occurring today in our social institutions is having a pronounced impact on the role of women in our society. Any evaluation of the rights and needs of women and of the opportunities available to women raises difficult, complex questions in such interrelated areas as education, job opportunities, property rights; and the institution of the family.

It is appropriate that such issues be carefully examined in order that policy recommendations with respect to the rights of women may be formulated. To assist in the examination of such issues it is important that the ideas and talents of persons sympathetic to the needs of women be utilized.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Daniel J. Evans,** do hereby constitute the Washington State Women's Council to be composed of approximately fifteen members to be appointed by the Governor. The Council is directed to consider appropriate questions pertaining to the rights and needs of women in contemporary America and to make recommendations to the Governor and state agencies with respect to desirable changes in program and law. Staff assistance will be provided to the Council through the Office of the Governor or such state agency which may be hereafter designated. Departments of state government are requested to provide appropriate and reasonable assistance to the Council, and local government officials and private citizens are requested to lend the Council their cooperation, as needed to accomplish its goals.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the State of Washington to be affixed at Olympia this 20th day of October A.D., Nineteen hundred and seventy-one.

Daniel J. Evans  
Governor of Washington

**BY THE GOVERNOR:**

Secretary of State

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