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EXECUTIVE ORDER
93-48*Judith K. Dornier*
SECRETARY OF STATE

WHEREAS, violence has reached epidemic proportions in certain urban areas;
and

WHEREAS, the well-being of the citizens of Missouri, specifically persons in St. Louis and Kansas City, is greatly affected by personal violence; and

WHEREAS, partnerships should be formed with local community leaders and public officials from St. Louis, Kansas City, and the State of Missouri to address the problem of urban violence;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mel Carnahan, Governor of the State of Missouri, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Missouri, do hereby establish the Task Force on the Causes and Prevention of Urban Violence. The Governor will designate two of the members of the task force as co-chairs. The task force shall consist of eighteen persons appointed by the Governor, at least seven (7) of whom shall be from the St. Louis Metropolitan area, and at least seven (7) of whom shall be from the Kansas City Metropolitan area; a representative of the Office of the Mayor of the City of St. Louis and a representative of the Office of the Mayor of the City of Kansas City; the Governor or his designee; three (3) members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House; three (3) members of the Missouri Senate appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; the directors, or their designees, of the departments of Public Safety, Health, Mental Health, and Corrections; and the Attorney General or his designee.

The task force shall review and make recommendations to the Governor, to the General Assembly, and to agencies of state government, as appropriate, on the following matters:

1. Changes, if any, that are needed in state statutes, including the criminal law and the laws relating to juvenile crime, that will be effective in reducing the incidence of violent crime;
2. Measures that will be effective in reducing crimes committed with firearms in urban areas;
3. Changes in policies or laws relating to criminal punishment that will be effective in reducing recidivist criminal behaviors;
4. Measures that will be effective in reducing the incidence of violent crime associated with transactions involving illegal drugs;
5. Policies that can be pursued to strengthen the family and other community institutions in order to reduce urban violent crime;
6. Policies and procedures that will help protect children from violence or threats of violence while in school and while going to and from school; and
7. Such other policies, laws, or actions that the task force believes will be effective in reducing urban violent crime.

The committee will begin its deliberations within thirty (30) days of the date of this order. The committee will make recommendations regarding urban violence to the Governor, the 1994 General Assembly, state agencies, and other authorities as it deems appropriate.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, on this 16th day of December, 1993.



Mel Carnahan
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Judith K. Hampton
SECRETARY OF STATE