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EXECUTIVE ORDER
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SECRETARY OF STATE
COMMISSION DIVISION

WHEREAS, the President of the United States has signed into law the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (“Recovery Act”); and

WHEREAS, it is essential for the State of Missouri to administer the Recovery Act in a manner that will create jobs, improve infrastructure, and transform our economy for the 21st century; and

WHEREAS, the Recovery Act requires that it be administered quickly and efficiently, consistent with prudent management, so as to achieve its purposes; and

WHEREAS, numerous programs and projects administered by executive branch departments of the State of Missouri are affected by the Recovery Act; and

WHEREAS, personnel in the executive branch departments are familiar with the eligible programs and projects and can provide invaluable assistance as the State of Missouri implements a strategy regarding the Recovery Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JEREMIAH W. (JAY) NIXON, Governor of Missouri, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Missouri do hereby create and establish the Transform Missouri Initiative.

The Transform Missouri Initiative will analyze the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, identify state programs and projects that could benefit from the Recovery Act, develop a coordinated plan designed to maximize the impact of the Recovery Act, and implement guidelines and practices that provide transparency and accountability.

The Transform Missouri Initiative will be placed within the Office of Administration for administrative purposes. Operational Directors for the Initiative will be the Governor’s Director of Policy, the State Budget Director, and the Senior Counsel to the Governor for Budget & Finance. The Office of Administration will provide office space and administrative support for the Initiative.

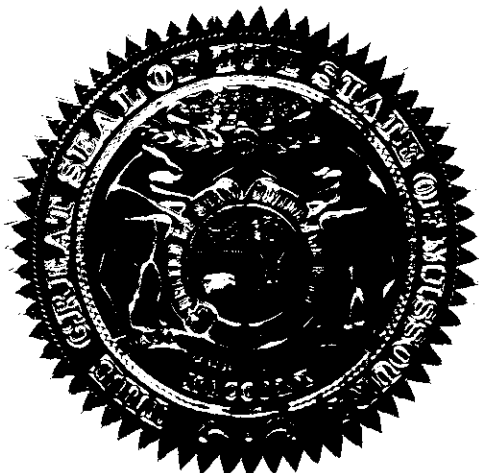
The Initiative will be comprised of personnel from the following executive branch departments:

- Office of Administration
- Department of Agriculture
- Department of Corrections
- Department of Economic Development
- Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
- Department of Health and Senior Services
- Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration
- Department of Labor and Industrial Relations
- Department of Mental Health
- Department of Natural Resources
- Department of Public Safety
- Department of Revenue
- Department of Social Services
- Department of Transportation

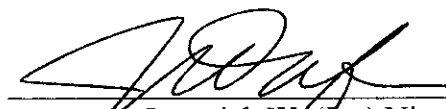
The Directors of each of the aforementioned executive branch departments will immediately assign to the Initiative at least one full-time employee who has an understanding of the programs and projects within their department that are or may be affected by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and has knowledge and experience in procurement.

The Operational Directors may request additional employees be assigned to the Initiative from particular departments.

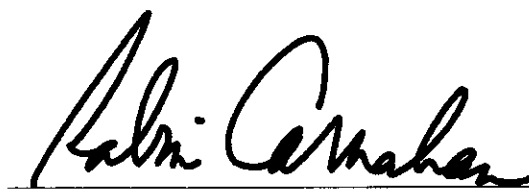
The Transform Missouri Initiative will expire on July 1, 2009, unless extended by executive order.



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 20th day of February, 2009.


Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon
Governor

ATTEST:


Robin Carnahan
Secretary of State