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EXECUTIVE ORDER 65-5
GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ALCOHOLISM

Citizens and communities alike, have evinced a growing recognition during the past two decades that alcoholism is one of our society's major medical-social problems. The various aspects of alcoholism are, indeed, complex and challenging, calling for increasingly effective programs of research, training and service.

In dealing with the problems of the alcoholic many local, state and federal agencies have instituted programs to help cope with the disabling conditions and deterrents to employment brought about by this problem. Family dependency, child abuse and neglect, juvenile delinquency, and mental health problems are at one-time or another the results of alcoholism.

Arizona ranks among those states having a serious alcoholism problem, but to date no concerted effort has been made on a state-wide basis to bring the issue into focus.

In order to cope with the problem educational programs, expansion of research, vocational placement, industrial and recreational therapy, guidance and assistance and mental health facilities must be utilized to their fullest extent. The family, church, school and youth groups can play an effective role in primary prevention. In short, every resource at the state and local level should be utilized to first prevent alcoholism and secondly to deal with the problem.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor or the State of Arizona it is ordered as follows:

Part I. Establishment of the Governor's Advisory Committee on Alcoholism.

Section 101. There is hereby established the Governor's Advisory Committee on Alcoholism, referred to herein as the "Committee."

Section 102. The Committee shall be composed of thirty-five members appointed by the Governor from among persons with a knowledge and interest in the problems of the alcoholic and alcoholism. The Governor shall designate from among the membership a chairman, vice-chairman and secretary.

Section 103. The Committee shall meet on the call of the chairman but in no case less than bi-monthly.

Section 104. The Committee is authorized to use the services and records of consultants and experts of state agencies as necessary insofar as authorized by law.

Part II. Duties of the Governor's Advisory Committee on Alcoholism.

Section 201. The Committee shall advise the Arizona State Department of Health in ascertaining problem areas and devising programs beneficial to combating alcoholism.

Section 202. Suggestions shall be made to the Governor periodically dealing with educational and research programs deemed to be helpful in carrying out the purpose of this Order.

Section 203. The Committee shall endeavor to work with local groups, individuals, and organizations in order to strengthen programs at the local level.

Section 204. Recommendations shall be made by the Committee to the State Health Department concerning the development of a comprehensive, state-wide program on alcoholism.

Section 205. Every effort shall be made to point out the need for additional trained personnel to provide services; consultations shall be held with our educational institutions toward achieving a greater degree of research concerning the physiological, psychological and social mechanisms which produce alcoholism.

Section 206. Within the capabilities of the Committee programs shall be instituted and designed to create a more understanding climate of public opinion regarding alcoholics and alcoholism.

Section 207. The Committee shall submit an annual report to the Governor by November 15 of each year and shall continue to function until such time as the Governor deems its work completed.

Part III. Miscellaneous

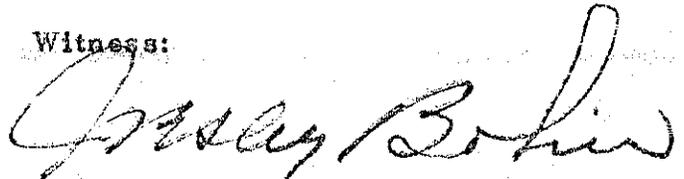
Section 301. All state agencies and institutions are requested to cooperate with the Committee in the performance of its duties and in carrying out the objectives of this Order.

Section 302. Members of the Committee shall serve without compensation and at no expense to the State of Arizona but any federal funds which become available may be used for reimbursement of Committee members for subsistence and travel in the manner provided for other state officers.

Signed:

SAMUEL P. GODDARD
Governor of Arizona

Witness:


Secretary of State

Date: December 1, 1965