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**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 7**

**TO: ALL BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS,  
CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS, AND THE CITY CLERK**


**SUBJECT: ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT  
COMMISSION FOR THE CITY OF DETROIT**

**DATE: OCTOBER 13, 1995**

Pursuant to the powers vested in me by the Constitution of the State of Michigan, and Section 7-103 of the 1974 Detroit City Charter, I, Dennis W. Archer, Mayor of the City of Detroit, do hereby establish the City of Detroit Neighborhood Development Commission as an advisory commission for the Planning and Development Department, in accordance with the following guidelines:

1. Scope: The Neighborhood Development Commission shall review, evaluate, and make recommendations regarding issues, programs and projects which pertain to and support community development in the City of Detroit. This Commission's responsibilities shall include evaluating current community development policies and programs of the City of Detroit Planning and Development Department and making recommendations as to how such policies and programs may be enhanced. The Commission shall also assist in the development of collaborative relationships between the City and members of the public and business sectors of the community, which are essential for effective community development within the City. The Commission shall also review and make recommendations concerning applications received by the City for loans provided by the Planning and Development Department.

2. Membership: The Neighborhood Development Commission shall consist of 12 members, 11 of whom shall be appointed by the Mayor. The Director of the Planning and Development Department shall serve as an ex-officio member of the Commission. The initial terms of the members of the Commission appointed by the Mayor shall expire on February 14, 1996 for four (4) of the members, on February 14, 1997 for four (4) of the other members, and on February 14, 1998 for three (3) of the members. All subsequent appointments or reappointments shall be for a term of two (2) years. Members of the Commission appointed by the Mayor shall serve at the Mayor's pleasure and may be removed without cause by the Mayor. In order to secure individuals with the broadest expertise and experience in the area of community development, members of the Commission shall represent both the private, public, and business sectors of the community, including representatives from other governmental units, foundations, financial institutions, and community development organizations. Given the need to have representatives from other governmental units, foundations, financial institutions, and



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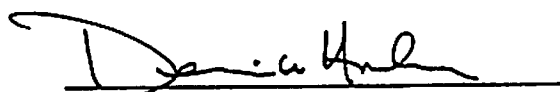
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community development organizations serve as members of the Commission, individuals representing such units, foundations, institutions, and organizations need not be residents of the City of Detroit, provided that at least 51 percent (51%) of the Commission members shall be residents of the City of Detroit. The Deputy Director of the Planning and Development Department who is responsible for the Neighborhood Development Division shall serve as Executive Director of the Commission to perform administrative functions and to ensure that all business conducted by the Commission is within the scope of the Commission's responsibilities.

3. Meetings: In accordance with Section 2-110 of the 1974 Detroit City Charter, the Commission shall keep a record of its proceedings, which shall be public. A quorum of the Commission shall consist of a majority of its members.

4. Rules of Procedure: The Commission may adopt rules of procedure to govern its functioning, in accordance with Section 2-110 of the 1974 Detroit City Charter.

5. Duration: The Neighborhood Development Commission shall function as an advisory commission for the Planning and Development Department until rescission of this Executive Order.



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Dennis W. Archer  
Mayor