WHEREAS, there exists a need to address the continued bioethical issues facing the citizens of the State of Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, there is a continuing need for people to gather together and give attention to the resolution of problems arising out of bioethical issues—legal, medical and social in nature—by providing advice, support, information and leadership to the citizens of Oklahoma and advice to the Governor.

NOW, THEREFORE, by the authority conferred upon the Office of Governor by the Constitution and the Laws of the State of Oklahoma, I hereby order and direct that the Governor's Task Force on Bioethics is created and established.

The Task Force shall consist of the membership of the group formerly known as the Governor's Ad Hoc Task Force on Death With Dignity.

The authorization for the existence of this Task Force shall expire six (6) months from the date of execution of this order unless specifically extended by a supplemental executive order.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, this 16th day of March, 1991.

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

[Signature]

ATTEST:

[Signature] Secretary of State