STATE OF OKLAHOMA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
EXECUTIVE ORDER 91-23

WHEREAS, Title 7, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 272.2 provides that the Federal/State Agreement concerning the administration of the Food Stamp Program in accordance with the Food Stamp Act of 1977, as amended, shall be signed by the Governor of the State or his authorized designee and shall be submitted to the Food and Nutrition Service; and

WHEREAS, Title 42, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 430.12 provides that a state plan or plan amendment under Title XIX of the Social Security Act must be submitted to the State Governor or his designee for review and comment before submitting them to the Health Care Financing Administration regional office; and

WHEREAS, Title 45, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 201.3 provides that state plans and revisions of state plans under Titles I, IV-A, IV-D, X, XIV, or XVI of the Social Security Act should first be submitted to the State Governor or his designee for review in accordance with Title 45, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 204.1, and 301.13, and then to the regional office of the Family Support Administration; and

WHEREAS, Title 45, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 400.7 provides that the state plan or plan amendments under Title IV of the Immigration and Nationality Act pertaining to refugee resettlement must be submitted to the Governor or his designee for review, comment and signature before the plan or amendment is submitted to the Office of Refugee Resettlement; and

WHEREAS, Title 45, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1321.21 provides that each state plan or plan amendment under Title III of the Older Americans Act which requires approval of the Commissioner for Children, Youth and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, shall be signed by the Governor of the Governor's designee and submitted to the Commissioner for approval; and
WHEREAS, Title 45, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1356.20 provides that a state plan or plan amendment under Title IV-E of the Social Security Act must be submitted first to the State Governor or his designee for review and then to the regional office of the Administrator for Children, Youth and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; and

WHEREAS, Title 45, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1386.31 provides that the state plan, plan amendments or related documents pertaining to the provision of services for persons with developmental disabilities must be approved by the Governor of the Governor’s designee; and

WHEREAS, Benjamin Demps, Jr., Director of the Department of Human Services and Secretary of Health and Human Services, is familiar with and knowledgeable of the provisions of the Social Security Act, the Older Americans Act, the Immigration and Nationality Act, and the Food Stamp Act, and rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and of provisions pertaining to services for persons with developmental disabilities, and is most qualified to review and sign the Federal/State Agreement concerning the administration of the Food Stamp Program, and to review, comment on, approve, and sign state plans and state plan amendments affecting the Oklahoma Commission for Human Services and the State Department of Human Services.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, David Walters, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, by the authority vested in the Office of the Governor by the Constitution and laws of the State of Oklahoma and in accordance with federal law, do hereby appoint and designate Benjamin Demps, Jr., Director of the State Department of Human Services and Secretary of Health and Human Services, to act for me, as my designee, in reviewing and signing the Federal/State Agreement concerning the administration of the Food Stamp Program, and in reviewing, commenting on, approving, and signing state plans and state plan amendments submitted to the various federal agencies by the Oklahoma Commission for Human Services of the State Department of Human Services as provided by Title 7, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 272.2; Title 42, Code of Federal Regulations; Section 430.12; and Title 45, Code of Federal Regulations, Sections 201.3, 301.13 400.7, 1321.21, 1356.20, and 1386.31; and to do all things that I might do under such regulations.
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 ___ day of November, 1991.

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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ATTEST:

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE