

# STATE OF COLORADO

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### EXECUTIVE ORDER

#### Continuing Minority Business Advisory Council

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Office of the Governor of the State of Colorado, I, John W. Hickenlooper, Governor of the State of Colorado, hereby issue this Executive Order continuing the Minority Business Advisory Council.

#### I. Background and Need

Minority-owned businesses, and the minority community, must be active participants in the State's economic development programs, initiatives and policies. Increasing the participation of minority businesses and community will promote the success of minority-owned businesses and improve the State's economy.

In order to increase participation by minority-owned businesses in the economic development of the State, I hereby issue this Order continuing the Minority Business Advisory Council (the "Council") within the Office of Economic Development and International Trade ("OEDIT").

#### II. Membership

- A. The Council shall consist of no more than 25 members.
- B. Half of the membership shall be representatives of minority-owned businesses.
- C. The remaining members will be comprised of representatives from private sector industry partners, higher education and business associations.
- D. Efforts will be made to ensure representation from all areas of the State.
- E. Members shall serve terms of three years and may not serve more than two consecutive terms.
- F. The members shall elect a chairperson from among the members to serve a term of two years.

#### III. Duties

- A. The Council shall convene four seminars throughout the year at which:
  - a. Unique problems or issues confronting minority businesses in Colorado be identified;

- b. Provide opportunities so that private industry can provide updates on trends, challenges and opportunities that impact minority owned businesses;
  - c. Provide opportunities for higher education partners to provide updates on strategies, challenges and opportunities to impact workforce and talent pipelines that impact minority business communities;
- B. Serve as a resource to the Office of Economic Development and International Trade on statewide minority business issues.
- C. Identify unique problems confronting minority businesses in Colorado.
- D. Identify unique opportunities for minority businesses in Colorado.
- E. Make recommendations for regulatory changes needed at all levels of Colorado government to retain, grow and recruit minority businesses in the state.
- F. Provide advice to the Office of Minority Business on issues affecting minority businesses.
- G. The Council shall meet as often as necessary to perform these duties. Members shall not receive compensation for their services.

IV. Past Executive Orders Superseded and Replaced

All other Executive Orders concerning the Council are hereby superseded and replaced by this Executive Order.

V. Duration

This Executive Order shall remain in effect until modified or rescinded by a future Executive Order of the Governor.



GIVEN under my hand and  
the Executive Seal of the  
State of Colorado, this first  
day of May, 2015.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "John W. Hickenlooper".

John W. Hickenlooper  
Governor