Coughlin, Director of the Division of Corrections, Des Moines, Iowa, to travel to Nashville, Tennessee and Atlanta, Georgia, to visit the newly constructed institutions in Nashville, Tennessee and as President of the Association of State Correctional Administrators travel to Atlanta, Georgia for the Mid-Winter meeting of the ASCA, February 19 thru February 24, 1968, via commercial air travel, the general expense to be borne by the State of Iowa, estimated cost of trip, $250.00.

Approved Board of Control Resolution granting permission to S. M. Korsor, M.D., Superintendent of the Mental Health Institute, Independence, Iowa, cause the said Julia Walker to be transferred from the Mental Health Institute and delivered to the Veterans Administration Hospital, Downey, Illinois, in accordance with the instructions of the Veterans Administration. It is understood a state car may be used for transportation if necessary. This order is issued in accordance with the provisions of Section 230.8, Code of 1966, and the expense of the transfer, with the approval of Governor Harold E. Hughes, is to be borne by the State of Iowa. (Costs of transfer will be assumed by the Veterans Administration and they will reimburse the State of Iowa.)

Issued Proclamation proclaiming the week of February 11-17, 1968, as Negro History Week

Approved Board of Control Resolution granting permission to James F. Holmes, Superintendent, and Gerald Dunsmore, Iowa Annie Wittenmyer Home, Davenport, Iowa, to travel to Chicago, Illinois, February 15 through 16, 1968, to attend the Regional Conference on Delinquent and Neglected Children, via state car, the general expense to be borne by the State of Iowa. Estimated cost of trip - $100.00. (Verbal approval from Governor’s Office 2-14-68).

Approved Board of Control Resolution granting permission to Philip J. Juhl, Superintendent, and Cal Peters, School Principal, State Juvenile Home, Toledo, Iowa, to travel to Chicago, Illinois, February 15 and 16, 1968, to attend the Regional Conference on Delinquent and Neglected Children, via state car, the general expense to be borne by the State of Iowa. Estimated cost of trip - $100.00. (Verbal approval from Governor’s Office 2-14-68.)

Approved Board of Control Resolution granting permission to Joseph S. Coughlin, Director, Division of Corrections and Earl R. Sturdevant, Assistant Director of Corrections for Industries, Des Moines, Iowa to travel to Joliet, Illinois, February 29 thru March 2, 1968, to visit the Illinois State Penitentiary, Joliet-Stateville Branch, for the purpose of the trip to study the industrial operation and more specifically their metal fabrication industry, via state car, the general expense to be borne by the State of Iowa. Estimated cost of trip - $50.00.

Approved Board of Control Resolution granting permission to Miss Mona Phelps, Community Consultant, Woodward State Hospital-School, Woodward, Iowa, to travel to Chicago, Illinois, March 21-23, 1968, to attend the Annual Meeting of the American Orthopsychiatric Association, via air, the total estimated expense of $133.28 to be borne by the State of Iowa.

WHEREAS, the Sixty-second General Assembly of the State of Iowa enacted legislation to establish a department of social services to administer programs designed to improve the well-being and productivity of the people of the State of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, the state department of social services will combine the present functions of the board of social welfare, department of social welfare, board of parole, board of control of state institutions, and other state agencies and divisions; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly directed that the Act be implemented no later than July 1, 1968;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harold E. Hughes, Governor of Iowa, acting pursuant to the provisions of section six of Chapter 209 of the Laws of the Sixty-second General Assembly, do hereby order and direct that
"A Regional Delineation For the State of Iowa", dated December, 1967, which document is by reference made a part hereof. Basing its determinations on established criteria, the study recommends the designation of sixteen area planning and service regions and sixteen area cities.

The designation of the specified areas and cities is not intended to alter the status of existing county or local services or to determine the responsibilities of county or local offices in any manner.

The regionalization concept as defined in the study provides a means by which state planning and services may be coordinated from the offices in the state capitol, through the field service offices, to the citizen; it provides an opportunity for government departments, agencies and commissions to provide better and more efficient services at a minimized expense to the taxpayer by sharing personnel, equipment and facilities; and it enables the citizen to reap the benefits of more efficient and effective state government, with less confusion and less inconvenience.

Article III IMPLEMENTATION OF THE REGIONAL CONCEPT OF STATE GOVERNMENT

In order that preliminary steps toward implementation of the regional concept of government as herein specified, might be taken, the several departments, commissions and agencies of the State of Iowa are hereby ordered and directed to submit the following information to the Office of the Governor, by May 1, 1968:

1. A description of an overall plan for implementing within the particular department, commission or agency the regionalization concept as defined in the study. This plan shall include:
   a. A timetable for implementation.
   b. A determination of the field services which fit the regionalization concept.
   c. An estimate of cost of each major step in implementing the plan.
   d. Actions within the department necessary for implementation.
   e. Projection of accomplishments toward implementation for a one year period.
   f. Narrative on program plans, describing in detail the methods and resources to be applied in the first year's efforts for regionalization.
   g. Set out plans for fiscal reporting by regions.

2. It is recognized that no set of multi-county areas can serve as the framework for every purpose. Therefore, those departments with the special conditions described below will take the appropriate action noted:
   a. Those departments without a field service operation should simply report same. If there is no future need foreseen for field services, so state.
   b. Those departments with special problems indicating extreme difficulty in utilizing the regions, as set forth, should arrange for a meeting with the Director of the Office for Planning and Programming.

In addition to the above, the several departments, commissions, and agencies of the State of Iowa are hereby requested to take such preliminary steps as are feasible to provide for the implementation of the regionalization concept.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Iowa to be affixed. Done at Des Moines this 19th day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred sixty-eight.