WHEREAS, the spread of drug abuse in our society has reached significant proportions in recent years, arousing concern for the physical and mental health of all our citizens; and

WHEREAS, action in the area of drug abuse control has begun to mobilize and coordinate existing resources available for meeting and dealing with the various phases of the problem; and

WHEREAS, Iowa State Government has an important role in the leadership of our continuing struggle against the abuse and misuse of drugs and the deleterious effects on individual citizens and our society in general.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert D. Ray, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby formally establish the DRUG ABUSE AUTHORITY composed of a Director and an Advisory Council, and they shall have the authority to carry out the intent of this Executive Order.

The Council shall be composed, initially, of representatives from:

Department of Rehabilitation and Educational Services
Department of Public Instruction
Department of Social Services
Community Mental Health Centers Association
Department of Public Safety
Department of Health
Iowa Crime Commission
Office for Planning and Programming
Office of the Attorney General
Governor's Youth Coordinator
State Office of Economic Opportunity
District Coordinators Representatives

The Governor may appoint or remove such representatives as are deemed to be beneficial to the furtherance of the Council's objectives.

I further authorize and empower said Authority to take such steps as are necessary to attack the drug problem, and to coordinate efforts in the areas of education, treatment and rehabilitation, and control and law enforcement.
IN FURTHERANCE WHEREOF, I direct the offices and employees of Iowa State Government and call upon our citizens to cooperate fully with the Authority and its representatives in providing Iowans with the best possible services in an effort to curb the menace of drug abuse.

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, Iowa, this 26th day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-one.

Robert D. Ray
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Marilyn D. Schneider
SECRETARY OF STATE