WHEREAS, the Governor's Economy Committee, appointed in 1969, recommended that the general administrative functions of state government should be centralized in one department to increase the effectiveness of all state agencies and reduce the cost of state government; and

WHEREAS, the First Session of the 64th Iowa General Assembly passed an Act establishing a new General Services Department, which will assume various specified duties, powers and responsibilities of the Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds, the State Vehicle Dispatcher, the State Printing Board, the Superintendent of Printing, the State Comptroller and the Executive Council over the next 18 months; and

WHEREAS, the result of the transfer of these duties to the General Services Department will be better coordination and control of administrative functions of State Government, with consequent financial savings through centralization:

NOW, THEREFORE, I Robert D. Ray, Governor of the State of Iowa, pursuant to the powers granted me in Section 14 of Chapter 84 of the Laws of the 64th General Assembly, First Session, do hereby authorize and direct the transfer from the Executive Council to the Department of General Services the powers, duties, functions, responsibilities and programs that are contained in Chapter 84 of the Laws of the 64th General Assembly, First Session.

For the purposes of implementing this transfer, I hereby authorize and direct the State Comptroller, pursuant to Section 13 of Chapter 84 of the Laws of the 64th General Assembly, First Session, to transfer and allocate to the Department of General Services from the monies appropriated to the Executive Council the funds necessary to implement the provisions of this act.

The transfers directed above shall take effect on November 1, 1972.

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 30th day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-two.