EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 5-92

MAYOR'S COMMISSION ON NATIVE AMERICAN AFFAIRS

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the City of Philadelphia to secure equal opportunity for all residents of the City of Philadelphia;

WHEREAS, there is a need to improve the City's efforts to assist those people of Native American origin and to address their concerns;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to provide for greater cooperation, communication, and coordination of services on a city-wide basis;

NOW, THEREFORE, by the virtue of authority vested in me by Section 3-100(h) of the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter, I do hereby establish the Native American Advisory Commission.

SECTION 1. PURPOSE

1. The purposes of the Commission are:

   (a) To report to the Mayor on the status of Native American affairs in Philadelphia;

   (b) To advise and recommend to the Mayor, the Human Relations Commission, and City departments and agencies on issues, policies, and programs which would improve the quality of life of Native Americans in Philadelphia;

   (c) To monitor the implementation and effectiveness of these actions, policies, and programs based on specific time tables;

   (d) To establish a pro-active approach which infuses a Native American perspective in policy analysis and formulation and which serves as an institutional resource for the City government of Philadelphia; and,

   (e) To work cooperatively with City agencies to improve the quality of services to persons of Native American origin.

SECTION 2. ORGANIZATION AND MEMBERSHIP

1. The Commission shall be composed of no less than 15 members, appointed by the Mayor.

2. All appointments and terms shall be at the pleasure of the Mayor.

3. The members of the Commission shall serve without salary.

4. The Mayor shall appoint a Chairperson of the Commission. The Commission may select or elect other officers as needed.

5. The Commission shall adopt its own rules of procedure and internal organization. Such rules shall become effective only after approval by the Administrative Board. All rules shall be consistent with the provisions of this Executive Order.

6. The Commission shall convene regularly at such times and places it may by rule designate. It shall convene no less than six times per year.

SECTION 3. DUTIES

1. The Commission shall be responsible for advising the Mayor on the initiation, development, and implementation of policies and programs throughout City government to achieve the purposes and goals of this Executive Order.

2. The Commission shall provide the Mayor with annual reports summarizing its work and with periodic reports as necessary.

SECTION 4. OTHER PROVISIONS

1. All employees, officials departments, and agencies in the Executive-Administrative branch of government of the City of Philadelphia are hereby directed to cooperate with the Commission to the fullest extent possible consistent with the Home Rule Charter of the City of Philadelphia.

2. The Commission shall operate consistently with all applicable laws including those of the United States, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the City of Philadelphia.

3. This order shall become effective immediately.

Sept 9, 1992
Date

Edward G. Rendell
Edward G. Rendell, Mayor