EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 10-92

WHEREAS, the efforts of the City of Philadelphia to provide affordable housing will be greatly enhanced by forming partnerships with key institutions outside of government which are involved with housing;

WHEREAS, City government must develop collaborative relationships with community development corporations, churches, and other neighborhood-based institutions that are leading the way in improving neighborhoods;

WHEREAS, lending and charitable institutions such as banks, nonprofit collaboratives, and foundations can play an important role in helping to formulate the City’s strategy for housing and community development and in financing more affordable housing;

WHEREAS, private developers, contractors, the business community, and members of the building trades can all provide information and perspective which can help to improve the City’s housing programs;

WHEREAS, a vehicle is needed to increase the City’s outreach to members of these groups and to others involved in solving the City’s housing problems;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edward G. Rendell, Mayor of the City of Philadelphia, in accordance with Section 3-100 of the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter, do hereby order as follows:

SECTION 1. MAYOR’S HOUSING PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL

A. There is hereby established a Mayor’s Housing Partnership Council composed of at least 19 persons. The Mayor shall appoint the members of the Housing Partnership Council, which shall include representatives from community development corporations, the business sector, private developers, lending institutions, philanthropic organizations, technical assistance providers, organized labor, or others as determined by the Mayor.

B. The Chair of the Council shall be a citizen outside of City government, appointed by the Mayor.

SECTION 2. CHARGE OF THE MAYOR’S HOUSING PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL

The Mayor’s Housing Partnership Council will undertake these basic tasks:

A. Advise the Mayor on the establishment of a housing and community development strategy for the City of Philadelphia.
B. Work to expand public and private financing resources to support the development of affordable housing in Philadelphia.

C. Review the Community Development Block Grant Program annually proposed by the Office of Housing and Community Development and advise the Mayor on the results of this review prior to the Mayor's submission of the program to City Council.

D. Review the annual performance of the City's housing agencies and departments and provide recommendations on improving City Programs and performance.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Order shall be effective immediately.

October 23, 1992
Edward G. Rendell, Mayor