EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 92-ff

WHEREAS, the State of Colorado has passed a constitutional amendment that prohibits the passage and enforcement of laws and ordinances protecting an individual's civil rights based on his or her sexual orientation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Philadelphia does not support or condone the passage of such laws, which serve as an affirmation of bigotry, hatred or discrimination against individuals on the basis of their sexual orientation; and

WHEREAS, the passage of the constitutional amendment in Colorado may presage the placing of similar referenda on the ballot in other states; and

WHEREAS, the City of Philadelphia, the cradle of American liberty and democracy, is compelled to take a strong stand against the passage of such discriminatory laws;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDWARD G. RENDELL, Mayor of the City of Philadelphia, by the power vested in me under the Home Rule Charter of the City of Philadelphia, do hereby Order and Declare as follows:

SECTION 1. The City of Philadelphia will enforce a boycott of travel to Colorado or other states or municipalities that prohibit protection of an individual's civil rights based on sexual orientation, until such time as those laws are repealed. All travel by City employees on official City business to such states or municipalities is prohibited, and no City funds will be provided for such trips.

SECTION 2. The Administrative Board shall take whatever action is reasonably necessary to implement this Order, including all necessary amendments to Administrative Board Rule No. 2.
SECTION 3. This Order shall be effective immediately upon the date of its execution.

Dated: December 15, 1992

Edward G. Rendell
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