EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 8-92

WHEREAS, the quality of housing and the state of Philadelphia's many neighborhoods affects the quality of life of all Philadelphians;

WHEREAS, many City agencies, departments, and quasi-governmental bodies are concerned with housing issues and the development of livable neighborhoods;

WHEREAS, there is currently no central body to coordinate all of the efforts of these various agencies;

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. HOUSING CABINET

A. There is hereby established a Housing Cabinet under the Mayor's office composed of the chief executive officers of the following City departments, offices, agencies, commissions, and quasi-governmental agencies:

Office of Housing and Community Development;
Office of the Deputy Mayor for Housing;
Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia;
Philadelphia Housing Development Corporation;
Philadelphia Housing Authority, Office of the Chairperson;
Philadelphia Housing Authority, Office of the Special Master, or Office of the Executive Director;
Philadelphia City Planning Commission;
Department of Licenses and Inspections
Office of the Deputy Managing Director for Special Needs Housing;
Department of Commerce;
Philadelphia Industrial Development Corporation; and
Philadelphia Commercial Development Corporation.

B. The Director of the Office of Housing and Community Development will chair the Housing Cabinet. The Director of Housing is hereby authorized to speak on behalf of the Mayor on all matters before the Housing Cabinet. The Office of Housing and Community Development shall provide administrative support for the Cabinet's operation.

C. The Housing Cabinet shall meet at least monthly, or more frequently at the call of the Chair.
SECTION 2. CHARGE OF THE HOUSING CABINET

The Housing Cabinet will undertake these basic tasks:

A. The implementation of the administration’s overall housing strategy, and the coordination of the activities of all of the City and City-related agencies involved with housing and community development.

B. The review of major policy decisions related to housing and community development project funding, development financing, and programming proposed to be adopted by quasi-governmental agencies, especially those involving multiple agencies or departments.

C. The integration of the viewpoints and concerns of all departments and agencies which affect the overall quality of housing into the City’s master housing plan and strategy.

SECTION 3. CITY AGENCY PARTICIPATION AND RESPONSIBILITIES

A. Each City of Philadelphia agency represented on the Housing Cabinet, as listed in Section 1.A. above, shall be represented by the chief executive officer of that agency. No substitutions shall be permitted.

B. The Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia, Philadelphia Housing Authority, and Philadelphia Housing Development Corporation shall present in advance for Housing Cabinet Review each major item to be considered by the governing boards of those agencies. The results of the Housing Cabinet review shall be reported to these agency governing boards prior to agency action on these issues.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Order shall be effective immediately.

[Signature]
Edward G. Rendell, Mayor

OCT 20, 1992
Date