EXECUTIVE ORDER
NUMBER SEVENTY-EIGHT

TO: HEADS OF ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES
RE: POWERS OF THE DELAWARE STATE ARTS COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Delaware State Arts Council was created by Governor Russell W. Peterson's Executive Order Number Three dated March 31, 1969, as an independent agency to foster the development of the arts in Delaware; and

WHEREAS, such Council was further defined by Governor Pierre S. du Pont's Executive Order Number Fifty dated March 15, 1978; and

WHEREAS, House Bill No. 331 establishing a new Division of the Arts within the Department of State to promote and encourage public interest in the arts was signed into law by Governor Michael N. Castle on July 17, 1989; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Delaware State Arts Council have been appointed by the Governor and have been charged with the purpose of promotion and encouragement of the arts and with providing guidance to the Director of the Division of the Arts on matters of arts policy pursuant to 29 Del. C. §8728(a); and
WHEREAS, the Director of the Division of the Arts serves under the Governor's appointed Secretary of State; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware State Arts Council is composed of Delaware citizens broadly representative of all fields of the performing and fine arts known for their interest and expertise in these areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael N. Castle, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Delaware, do hereby instruct the Delaware State Arts Council to identify and recommend the appropriate organizations, individuals, and institutions and the amount of suggested funding thereto to the Director of the Division of the Arts who shall contract with these groups for the purpose of promoting, encouraging, and enhancing the support of the arts in Delaware in accordance with those recommendations.

APPROVED this 13th day of December:

Michael N. Castle
Governor

ATTEST:

Secretary of State