

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT DOVER

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER FIFTY-EIGHT

TO: Heads of All State Departments and Agencies

RE: Drug Detoxification Center

WHEREAS, the 126th General Assembly funded the creation of Drug Detoxification Centers in Delaware; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 250, Volume 58, Delaware Laws, provided, inter alia, for the immediate treatment (at the Drug Detoxification Centers) of drug abusers committing criminal offenses; and

WHEREAS, the said Chapter 250, Volume 58, Delaware Laws, is, by its terms, not to take effect in any county of the State until the Governor shall have proclaimed by Executive Order that a Drug Detoxification Center is properly staffed and equipped in such county; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Richard Hamilton, Director of the Division of Drug Abuse Control, has stated that, as of December 21, 1971, at 8:30 a.m. Eastern Standard Time, a Drug Detoxification Center at the Emily P. Bissell Hospital in New Castle County was properly equipped and staffed; and

WHEREAS, the opening of this Drug Detoxification Center will materially aid in treatment of drug abusers in New Castle County, and should help lead to a lessening of drug abuse with its attendant cost to society and to the individuals affected.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RUSSELL W. PETERSON, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Delaware, do hereby declare and order as follows:

That there is a drug detoxification center properly equipped and staffed in New Castle County. This Drug Detoxification Center is located at the Emily P. Bissell Hospital.

APPROVED This day of December, 1971

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