EXECUTIVE ORDER
NUMBER FIFTY-NINE

TO: Heads of All State Departments and Agencies

RE: Delaware Agency to Reduce Crime

WHEREAS, the protection of life and property is of the greatest concern to the people of Delaware; and

WHEREAS, we have set a goal of stopping the growth in the rate of violent crimes committed in Delaware, and reducing the rate by 1980 to 50% of its level in the peak year; and

WHEREAS, effective management of available resources is essential to achieving this goal; and

WHEREAS, greater flexibility is needed so as to permit the adding of members to the Delaware Agency to Reduce Crime without the necessity of issuing additional executive orders.

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:

1. The Governor shall take direct personal leadership of the effort to reduce violent crime and shall serve as Chairman of the Delaware Agency to Reduce Crime.

2. In addition to those ex-officio and other members of the Delaware Agency to Reduce Crime provided for in previous executive orders, the Governor may appoint to serve at his pleasure any additional public and ex-officio members he sees fit without issuing additional executive orders. A letter of appointment signed by the Governor shall constitute sufficient authority for any appointee to serve on the Delaware Agency to Reduce Crime with full voting rights.

3. The individuals appointed to Delaware Agency to Reduce Crime posts created by Executive Order Number Fifty-Five, signed July 29, 1971, shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor and not for three-year terms.
4. The following are hereby appointed as additional members of the Delaware Agency to Reduce Crime:

   (1) Dr. Herbert Baganz to fill the post of medical doctor specializing in human behavior provided for in Executive Order Number Fifty-Five.

   (2) Joseph Johnson to fill the educator post provided for in Executive Order Number Fifty-Five.

   (3) The Mayor of the City of Wilmington to be an ex-officio member.

   (4) The Chief Judge of the Family Court to be an ex-officio member.

   (5) Glen Moyer, principal of Milford Senior High School, to be a public member.

5. All previous executive orders relating to the Delaware Agency to Reduce Crime or its predecessor organizations are continued in full force except insofar as they conflict with this executive order, in which case they are superseded.

APPROVED This 8th day of March, 1972

Governor

Secretary of State