EXECUTIVE ORDER
NUMBER ONE HUNDRED NINETEEN

TO: Heads of All State Departments and Agencies

RE: Designation of November 26, 1976 as holiday for State employees

WHEREAS, we in Delaware should be cognizant that there is a continuing energy crisis facing this State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, a shortage of fossil fuels, including natural gas, could have an adverse effect upon the health, welfare and economy of the citizens of this State; and

WHEREAS, State properties are consumers of significant amounts of energy; and

WHEREAS, State offices are closed on the legal holiday of Thanksgiving but generally open on the day thereafter, which necessitates two shut-downs and one start-up of heating facilities in a two-day period; and

WHEREAS, a substantial fuel saving should be found if the facilities were to remain dormant over a longer period of time;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SHERMAN W. TRIBBITT, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Delaware, do hereby order (with the exception of those State offices which render essential services on a 24-hour basis) that all State agencies treat Friday, November 26, 1976 as a legal holiday and accord employees the same time off and other benefits as provided on other legal holidays.

APPROVED this 22nd day of November, 1976

[Signature]
Governor

ATTEST:

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Secretary of State