

STATE OF DELAWARE



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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
DOVER

EXECUTIVE ORDER
NUMBER TWENTY-SEVEN

TO: Heads of All State Departments and Agencies

RE: Designation of November 23, 1973 as holiday for State employees

WHEREAS, Delaware and all America is in the throes of a critical and all-pervasive energy crisis; and

WHEREAS, a serious shortage of energy could have an adverse affect upon the health, welfare and economy of the State of Delaware and her citizens; and

WHEREAS, on the 15th day of November, 1973, I, in my capacity as Governor of the State of Delaware, recognized this energy shortage by declaring a State of Emergency pursuant to Chapter 31, Title 20, Delaware Code Annotated, as amended; and

WHEREAS, State offices owned/or operated by the State of Delaware consume a good deal of energy in such forms as light and heat; and

WHEREAS, State of Delaware offices are generally closed on the legal holiday of Thanksgiving and opened on the subsequent Friday and then once again closed on the following Saturday and Sunday; and

WHEREAS, opening State facilities on Friday, November 23, 1973 for one day and then closing such facilities on Saturday and Sunday, November 24, 1973 and November 25, 1973 respectively, would consume a good deal of energy,

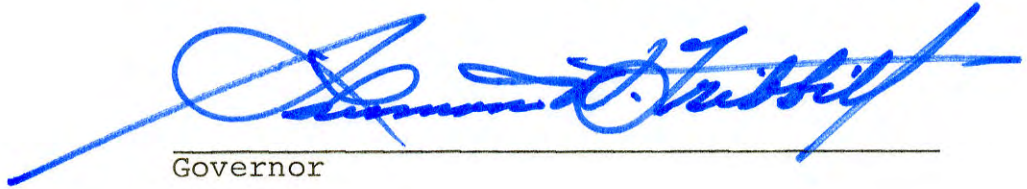
NOW, THEREFORE, I, SHERMAN W. TRIBBITT, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Delaware, do hereby order (with the exception of those State offices which render essential services on a 24-hour basis) that all State Agencies treat Friday, November 23, 1973 as a legal holiday and accord employees the same time off and other benefits as provided on other legal holidays.

I further order that at 5:00 P.M., November 21, 1973, temperatures in all State offices be lowered to the optimum level consistent with maintenance of good health and working efficiency of the remaining occupants until 7:00 A.M., Monday, November 26, 1973. Health care facilities such as hospitals and homes for the aged or infirm, are exempt from this restriction; however, it should be applied where heating systems permit, in purely administrative areas of such facilities.

I propose a temperature of 63° F, in those State facilities which are unoccupied during the aforementioned period of time.


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APPROVED this 19th day of November, 1973



Governor

ATTEST:



Secretary of State

