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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina May 4, 1973

*1 Re: Certification of Eligibility of the Division of Administration, Office of the Governor, to Receive Planning Assistance Funds Pursuant to the Discretionary Grant Authority of the Secretary of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

Mr. Robert A. Johnson Division of Administration Office of the Governor Kittrell Center 2711 Middleburg Drive Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Johnson:

I have reviewed the executive orders of the Governor of South Carolina establishing the Division of Administration. It is my opinion that the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, is an eligible applicant for, and recipient of, planning assistance funds. In this regard, I hereby certify that:

- 1. The Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, is a legal entity qualifying as a 'public agency.'
- 2. The Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, is legally authorized to provide the type of planning assistance and/or perform the type of planning work proposed in the application.
- 3. The Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, is empowered to receive and expend federal funds and to provide or obtain and expend other available funds.
- 4. The Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, is empowered to contract with the United States for the purpose of receiving and expending federal funds.

<u>Daniel R. McLeod</u> Attorney General

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