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**EXECUTIVE ORDER
DEALING WITH THE ILLINOIS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY
COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, Illinois has long recognized the importance of making full use of its unparalleled, private and public sector scientific and technological resources to maximize the benefits of the Technology Revolution and Information Age for the benefit of its economy and the well being of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, in 1988, Governor James R. Thompson established by Executive Order #2 (1988), the Governor's Commission on Science and Technology; and

WHEREAS, Governor Jim Edgar, created the Governor's Science and Advisory Committee by Executive Order #10 (1991); and

WHEREAS, in 1997, Governor Edgar issued Executive Order #3 (1997) abolishing the Governor's Science Advisory Committee and replacing it with the Illinois Science and Technology Advisory Committee,

WHEREAS, the People of Illinois appreciate the service and able advice and counsel provided by the Illinois Science and Technology Committee during its tenure,

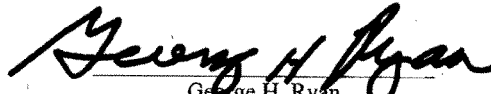
WHEREAS, as we enter the new millenium, Illinois must act decisively and aggressively to take advantage of the myriad new and rapidly evolving challenges and opportunities afforded by the explosive growth of new and expanding technologies,

WHEREAS, my Administration is committed to creating a forum to bring together the extensive and unique science and technology resources of this State to meet today's needs and provide an environment in Illinois to foster emerging technologies and establish a leadership position in the country and globally in the forefront of progress and innovation;

THEREFORE, I, George H. Ryan, hereby order the following:

1. The Chief Technology Officer in the Office of the Governor is directed to promptly consult with leaders of science, technology, business and academic institutions and other venues, as appropriate, to develop a proposal for creation of a new technology advisory committee specifically constituted to maximize Illinois' ability to meet the challenges and take advantage of the opportunities of the new economy.

2. Executive Order #3 (1997) is hereby repealed.
3. This Executive Order shall be effective immediately.


George H. Ryan
GOVERNOR

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