

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 39

WHEREAS, the written word has been the means for communicating thoughts, ideas and knowledge and preserving the same for future generations; and

WHEREAS, the ability to read and write is essential to the prosperity and well-being of the individual and society as a whole; and

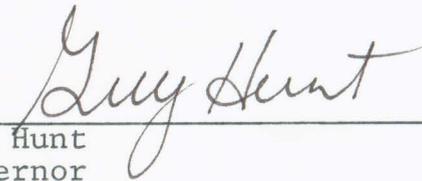
WHEREAS, there are, in Alabama and throughout the Nation many public and private programs aimed at advancing literacy among all of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to coordinate the efforts of all of the various literacy programs through a central state coordinating office.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Guy Hunt, as Governor of the State of Alabama, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Alabama, do hereby order and direct the following:

1. There is hereby established within the Alabama Public Library Service, the Alabama Literacy Coalition as the state literacy program coordinating office for Alabama.
2. The Alabama Literacy Coalition shall facilitate coordination among all public and private literacy programs in Alabama, shall promote public awareness of the need for literacy services in Alabama, and shall serve as a vehicle for literacy providers to enhance and expand literacy services for all Alabamians.
3. The Alabama Literacy Coalition shall make recommendations for its structure, governance, and financing to the Governor's Office no later than January 1, 1991.

DONE AND ORDERED this the 13th day of September, 1990.



Guy Hunt
Governor

ATTEST:



Secretary of State