

Executive Order No. 20

WHEREAS, agriculture has played an essential role in the State of Alabama's rich history; and

WHEREAS, agriculture's economic impact on Alabama is significant; and

WHEREAS, Alabama's farmers contribute greatly to the global marketplace; and

WHEREAS, because Alabama's farmers must compete in a global marketplace, they must be able to respond to ever-changing world conditions and markets; and

WHEREAS, there exists a need to create an outlet through which Alabama's farmers can express their concerns and needs to state, national, and international policy makers.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jim Folsom, Governor of the State of Alabama, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of Alabama, and for other good and valid reasons which relate thereto, do hereby create the Governor's Agricultural Advisory Council.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that it shall be the mission of the council to advise the Governor on agricultural and agriculture-related issues, including, but not limited to, cattle, poultry, vegetables, fruits, and animal husbandry, as well as the marketing, transportation and governmental policies which affect Alabama's agricultural industry.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that the Governor's Agricultural Advisory Council shall exist on both a county and state-wide level. The state-wide council shall be composed of two state-wide co-chairpersons and one person from each county in Alabama. The Dean of the College of Agriculture at Alabama A & M University and the Dean of the College of Agriculture at Auburn University, by virtue of their respective offices, shall serve as the state-wide co-chairpersons. Those council members appointed from each county will in turn serve as local chairpersons for the advisory councils created in the counties in which they reside. The County Extension Service Agent from each county shall, by virtue of his or her office, be an ex officio member of his or her county's advisory council.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that the state-wide chairpersons, the chairperson from each county, and the county council members shall be appointed by the Governor. The council members' term shall be concurrent with that of the Governor.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that the state-wide and county councils shall meet no less than two times each year. Meetings shall be called by the respective chairpersons and shall be held at a location deemed convenient by the chairpersons.

DONE and ORDERED this 26th day of May, 1994.





Jim Folsom
Governor

Attest:



Jim Bennett
Secretary of State