

Executive Order

MW-21

Establishing with Commissioner Jim Hightower the Texas Family Farm and Ranch Advisory Committee.

WHEREAS, the number of family-owned farms and ranches has declined significantly and continues to decline; and

WHEREAS, state and primarily federal law and policy largely will determine the role of family farms and ranches in U.S. agriculture; and

WHEREAS, the advice of family farmers and ranchers should contribute to the formulation of governmental policies;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark White, governor of Texas, under the authority vested in me, have joined Commissioner Hightower in establishing the Texas Family Farm and Ranch Advisory Committee.

The committee consists of 26 members, with six appointed by the governor and 20 appointed by Commissioner Hightower. Each member serves at the pleasure of the one making appointment.

The committee is charged with advising the governor and commissioner of agriculture on any and all matters relating to agriculture in the United States. Recommendations and reports of the committee shall be forwarded to the governor and commissioner.

The members of the committee serve without salary, but may be reimbursed for their necessary, actual travel expenses incurred while attending meetings of the committee.

All agencies of state government are hereby directed to cooperate and assist the committee in the performance of its duties.

This executive order shall be effective this date and shall remain in full force and effect until modified or rescinded by me.

Issued in Austin, Texas, on April 18, 1984.

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Mark White
Governor of Texas