## EXECUTIVE ORDER 87-2

WHEREAS, the quality of life for Chicago Housing Authority residents is a matter which concerns all Chicagoans, and

WHEREAS, the level of federal funding which supports the Chicago Housing Authority has diminished substantially in recent years and impaired the Authority's ability to carry out its mandate to provide decent, safe and sanitary housing for low income families; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative for the well-being of the City that new management strategies and sources of funds be developed for the Authority for capital improvements, repairs, training, and creating opportunities for residents to upgrade job and business skills; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Authority would benefit from research and recommendations on the above matters by individuals with relevant expertise from the civic and business communities;

NOW THEREFORE, I HAROLD WASHINGTON, Mayor of the City of Chicago in the State of Illinois, do hereby declare and order as follows:

on the Chicago Housing Authority, hereinafter the "Council". The purpose of the Council shall be to advise the Mayor on ways in which the City can assist the Chicago Housing Authority, hereinafter "Authority", to improve its operations, to bring about improved services to Authority residents, and to expand the availability of quality low income housing for eligible

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SECTION 2. The Council shall consist of twenty-five (25) members, whom the Mayor shall appoint. The Mayor shall designate two Co-Chairmen of the Council. Each member appointed by the Mayor shall serve without compensation until April 13, 1988. At that date the progress of the Council shall be reviewed by the Mayor and members may be re-appointed for an additional one-year term. New members may be named to fill any vacancies.

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SECTION 3. The Council shall have the following powers and duties: It shall

- (a) Review the history and current status of Chicago Housing Authority needs and resources in order to define critical problems and establish their priorities;
- (b) Recommend improvements to Authority management and operations in order to increase their effectiveness, efficiency and quality;
- (c) Recommend programs and services for residents;
- (d) Recommend strategies for addressing the gap between HUD funding allocations and the funding needs of the Authority;
- (e) Recommend strategies for producing additional low income housing units;
- (f) Recommend strategies for properties suffering from serious deferred maintenance;
- (g) Recommend long term management and financial planning systems for the Authority.

The Council will submit periodic reports to the Mayor detailing its activities and recommendations. The Co-Chairmen may request the Mayor's Office to secure the assistance of support staff and provide supplies.

SECTION 4. This Order shall take effect upon its signing by the Mayor and receipt and filing with the City Clerk.

Mayor of the City of Chicago

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RS. KÖZUBOWS City Clerk

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