



THE CITY OF NEW YORK
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10007

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 8

April 26, 1994

THE MAYOR'S COMMISSION TO COMBAT FAMILY VIOLENCE
(Executive Order No. 58, dated 11/29/93, Repealed)

WHEREAS, it is estimated that family violence affects as many as 279,300 households in New York City every year; and

WHEREAS, family violence is a public health crisis that respects no boundaries of race, ethnicity, age, gender, sexual orientation, or economic status; and

WHEREAS, a priority of this administration is combatting family violence; and

WHEREAS, the City has incorporated family violence prevention into the New York City Police Department's policing programs; and

WHEREAS, the development of an integrated approach to the problem of family violence and the coordination of existing systems and services are critical to the success of the City's efforts in this area;

NOW THEREFORE, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of New York, it hereby is ordered;

Section 1. Prior Order Repealed. Executive Order No. 58 of 1993, dated November 29, 1993, hereby is repealed.

Section 2. Establishment of a Coordinating Commission. There hereby is established in the Mayor's Office for Health Services a Mayor's Family Violence Coordinating Commission (the "Coordinating Commission"). The Director of the Mayor's Office for Health Services and the Criminal Justice Coordinator, or their designees, shall

serve as chairpersons of the Coordinating Commission and shall coordinate and supervise its activities. The Coordinating Commission shall report to the Deputy Mayor for Operations.

Section 3. Membership.

(a) The following City agencies, commissions and divisions of the Office of the Mayor shall be members of the Coordinating Commission:

1. Department of Health
2. Human Resources Administration
(Child Welfare Administration,
Adult Services Administrator,
Family Support Administration)
3. Police Department
4. Department for the Aging
5. Department of Youth Services
6. Department of Probation
7. Department of Mental Health, Retardation and Alcoholism
Services
8. Law Department
9. Department of Homeless Services
10. Commission on the Status of Women.

(b) The Health and Hospitals Corporation, the Board of Education and the New York City Housing Authority shall be invited to attend meetings of the Coordinating Commission and to participate in the initiatives of the Coordinating Commission, as may be appropriate in the discretion of the chairpersons. The Coordinating Commission may seek the participation of experts or interested parties, including representatives of the New York City Courts, as the chairpersons may determine in their discretion.

(c) The head of each member entity shall designate a senior level administrator to attend Coordinating Commission meetings and to be responsible for carrying out the terms of this Executive Order.

(d) The Mayor may appoint such other person or persons as the Mayor deems appropriate to serve as Commission members, regardless of whether such persons are employed by the City.

(e) The Coordinating Commission shall meet no less than once each quarter.

Section 4. Purpose. The Coordinating Commission shall:

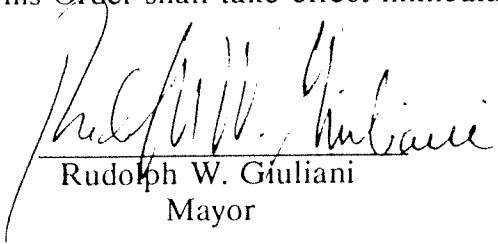
(a) Formulate policies and programs relating to all aspects of services and protocols for victims of family violence;

(b) Develop methods to improve the coordination of systems and services for victims of family violence;

(c) Develop and maintain mechanisms to ensure that each affected City agency responds appropriately to family violence situations and that there is coordination among the agencies involved; and

(d) Launch public education campaigns to heighten awareness of family violence and its devastating effects on society.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Order shall take effect immediately.


Rudolph W. Giuliani
Mayor