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**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
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Artificial intelligence (AI) and generative artificial intelligence (GenAI) are here to stay. Properly harnessed and deployed, these emerging technologies offer tremendous benefits to Oklahomans, their government, and the state's economy.

I'm proud to report that executive branch operations and IT leaders within OMES, along with their data services and science teams, already responsibly utilize AI and GenAI to help executive branch agencies achieve business solutions. From case management to constituent services, these technologies have improved operations, increased efficiency, and resolved problems.

Despite these achievements, more work needs to be done. As we embrace these emerging technologies, we need to identify risks and prepare for potential harms before deploying AI and GenAI throughout state government architecture. We need to ask more questions; seek answers from experts; and decide what, when, where, and how to consume and/or regulate these technologies.

Therefore, I, J. Kevin Stitt, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, pursuant to the power and authority vested in me by Sections 1 and 2 of Article VI of the Oklahoma Constitution, and to the fullest extent authorized by law, hereby order the creation of the Governor's Task Force on Emerging Technologies (the Task Force) until December 31, 2023:

The Task Force shall study, evaluate, and develop policy and administrative recommendations related to the responsible deployment of AI and GenAI. Specific areas of inquiry should include, but need not be limited to:

1. Developing a set of principles and values that will guide the development and use of AI and GenAI within state government;
2. Developing and implementing a governance framework that outlines the policies, procedures, and processes for the development, deployment, and use of AI and GenAI, with special attention paid to: (1) *data management* (outlining how AI data will be collected, stored, used, and shared); (2) *model development* (outlining the process for developing, testing, and deploying AI models); (3) *model monitoring* (outlining how AI models will be monitored for

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- performance, bias, and security vulnerabilities); and (4) *human oversight* (outlining the role of humans in the oversight and control of AI systems);
3. Determining how to educate, train, and upskill current and future workers in the use of AI and GenAI;
 4. Improving government services; and
 5. Improving government efficiencies.

The Task Force shall submit to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma Senate, and the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, a report on or before December 31, 2023, detailing its findings and recommendations.

The Task Force shall be composed of eleven (11) members determined as follows:

1. Joe McIntosh, State Chief Information Officer; who shall serve as Chair;
2. Matt Pinnell, Lieutenant Governor and Secretary of Workforce and Economic Development;
3. John Suter, Secretary of Operations and Government Efficiency, or designee;
4. Hopper Smith, Interim Executive Director of Commerce, or designee;
5. Jennifer McGrail, Executive Director of the Center for the Advancement of Science & Technology, or designee;
6. Allison Garrett, Chancellor of the State System of Higher Education, or designee;
7. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate, or designee;
8. The Speaker of the House, or designee; and

The Governor shall appoint three (3) at-large members, each of whom should have expertise in matters relating to business, workforce development, emerging technologies, privacy, or ethics.

Joe McIntosh, Chair of the Task Force, shall have the authority to create committees and name committee chairs to facilitate the work of the Task Force and shall have the authority to appoint Task Force members and/or non-member subject matter experts to serve on committees. Among others, if any, the Chair sees fit to create, there shall be one committee whose focus shall be the intersection of AI and GenAI and education and another committee whose focus shall be the intersection of AI and GenAI and commerce/workforce development. The Task Force shall meet as often as deemed necessary by the Chair allowing for timely completion of its work. Six (6) or more members shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of conducting the business of the Task Force. Task Force members and non-members appointed to serve on committees shall serve without compensation.

The Office of Management and Enterprise Services shall provide staff, technical, and administrative support for the Task Force. All Executive departments, officers, agencies, and employees of the State shall cooperate with the Task Force, including providing any information, data, records, and reports as may be requested.

In conjunction with the creation of the Governor's Task Force on Emerging Technologies, I further order the directors of all state agencies and departments subject to my authority to charge one person on their team with becoming an AI and GenAI expert. Names of those persons so charged shall be submitted to the appropriate cabinet secretary on or before November 1, 2023.

This Executive Order shall be distributed to each member of the Task Force, all cabinet secretaries, and the directors of all state agencies and departments subject to my authority.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on this 25th day of September, 2023.

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA



J. KEVIN STITT

ATTEST:



Josh Cockroft, SECRETARY OF STATE