NOTICE OF RENEWAL OF THE

ADVISORY PANEL ON MEDICARE EDUCATION

I determine, after consultation with the Administrator, General Services Administration, that renewal of the Advisory Panel on Medicare Education beyond January 14, 2005, is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Department by law, that such duties can best be performed through the advice and counsel of such a group. The committee is continued until January 14, 2007. I deem that it is not feasible for the Department or any of its existing committees to perform these duties, and that a satisfactory plan for appropriate balance of committee membership has been submitted.

January 14, 2005 Date /s/ Tommy Thompson Secretary