

## **Debra Ricker**

My interest in serving on this Council is a very personal one. Sadly, I have had two out of four of my children affected by this addiction. This disease is an absolute nightmare to live with and I am hoping that my perspective and experiences can help in the discussions and that I can add some value to this very much needed work. I thank the Governor very much for the opportunity to serve.

I am President & Founder of Worksafe Traffic Control Industries/Always on Time Sign & Design, since 1990, and currently serve as Chair of the American Traffic Safety Services Association, in addition to service in other professional organizations. I have also served on the Governor's Economic Advisory Council (2003-2011) and received the 1998 Central Vermont Economic Development Small Business of the Year award.

I am the proud mother of four grown children and four grandchildren, and enjoy downhill skiing, travel, politics, water sports, and spending time with family and friends.