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RESOLUTION
No. 87-LEG-06

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WHEREAS, the Orange County Commission will hold public hearings on September 28, 1987 to consider ordinances imposing said levy; and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Commission proposes in said ordinances the holding of a referendum on November 3, 1987 to allow the electors to vote for or against said levy; and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Commission has held four community meetings and scheduled five additional community meetings to gather citizen input to determine those capital expenditures which are most needed by the citizens of Orange County and which will most benefit those citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature will convene on September 21, 1987 in Special Session to consider repeal or amendment of Chapters 86-166, 87-6, 87-72, Laws of Florida and Committee Substitute for House Bill 1506;

WHEREAS, Orange County will receive approximately \$3,000,000 in new revenue during FY1987-88 from the Sales Tax on Services. This money is already budgeted for capital improvement in FY1987-88 and would have to be cut if the Service Tax is repealed; and

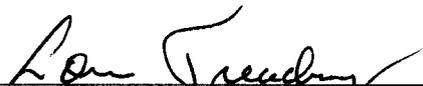
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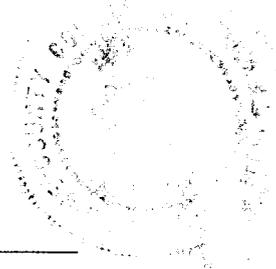
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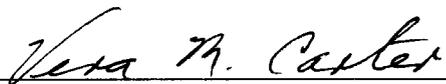
NOW, THEREFORE, let it be resolved:

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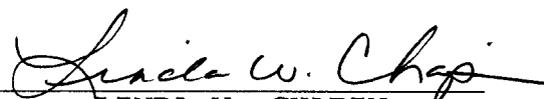

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