

APPROVED
BY ORANGE COUNTY BOARD
OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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RESOLUTION

of the
ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
regarding
**ENDORSEMENT OF NEMOURS CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
IN ORLANDO**

Resolution No. 2006- M-69

WHEREAS, the genesis of Nemours is found in the will of Alfred I. DuPont where he expressed his desire to alleviate human suffering; and

WHEREAS, Nemours was incorporated in 1936 and currently receives funding through the Alfred I. DuPont Testamentary Trust and the Edward Ball Estate; and

WHEREAS, in 1940 Nemours opened its first healthcare institution, now known as the Alfred I. DuPont Hospital for Children located in Delaware, and today operates healthcare clinics in Delaware, New Jersey and Florida; and

WHEREAS, since its establishment in 1997, through 2005 the Nemours Orlando clinic has provided over \$140 million in mission support to Central Florida, and currently employs over 200 associates and physicians covering numerous specialties; and

WHEREAS, currently the pediatric specialty practices and clinics of Nemours operating in Orlando, Pensacola and Jacksonville have invested over \$500 million in mission support to the State of Florida, have treated over 800,000 Florida children, employ over 130 physicians in the State and has made an economic impact of \$240 million annually; and

WHEREAS, Nemours has expressed interest in building an integrated children's healthcare system, inclusive of a \$250 million state-of-the-art children's hospital in Orlando, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Orlando is blessed with excellent hospitals and the added services will only enhance the healthcare system for the citizens of Central Florida, especially its children; and

WHEREAS, the Primary Care Access Network (PCAN) in Orange County, supported by area hospitals for its important work, also provides excellent healthcare services to the uninsured citizens of Orange County through a network of clinics or "medical homes" to over 60,000 residents and their children; and

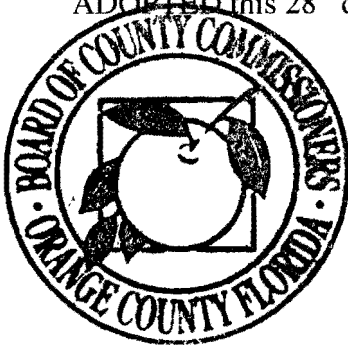
WHEREAS, Nemours proposes to build an independent, comprehensive pediatric hospital that will improve the well being of children in Central Florida by providing a location where many pediatric ailments can be treated in one facility; and

WHEREAS, with recent announcements that the UCF Medical School and the prestigious Burnham Institute will be locating to Lake Nona with a University of Florida research program, the addition of the Nemours Children's Hospital will further strengthen the "medical city" concept; and


WHEREAS, the extensive research efforts by the universities, Burnham and Nemours can be combined where practical to further medical advancements for both adults and children.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners in Orange County, Florida does hereby proclaim our endorsement and support of the Nemours Children's Hospital in Orlando, Florida and that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby encourage Nemours, Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children, Winnie Palmer Hospital for Women and Babies, and Florida Hospital to develop a coordinated plan for children's healthcare, while avoiding duplication of services when possible and emphasizing the tremendous expertise and experience of each hospital.

ADOPTED this 28th day of November, 2006.



ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
By: Board of County Commissioners

By: 
Richard T. Crotty
Orange County Mayor

ATTEST: Martha O. Haynie, County Comptroller
As Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

By: 
Deputy Clerk

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