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A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA, REGARDING INVOLUNTARY
COMMITMENT UNDER THE BAKER ACT

WHEREAS, § 394.463(2)(b), Florida Statutes, pertaining to involuntary commitment under the Baker Act, was amended, effective January 1, 1985, to provide as follows:

"Each county shall designate a single law enforcement agency within the county, or portions thereof, which shall take a person into custody upon entry of an ex parte order or the execution of a certificate by an authorized professional, and which shall transport that person to the nearest receiving facility for examination;" and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Sheriff is the principal law enforcement officer in Orange County; and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Sheriff has been responsible for such transportation prior to enactment of said statutory amendment; and

WHEREAS, the primary receiving facility in Orange County is the Orange County Crisis Stabilization Unit, which is located at 2520 North Orange Avenue, within the corporate limits of the City of Orlando; and

WHEREAS, the Orlando Police Department exercises primary law enforcement responsibilities within the City of Orlando and has been responsible for picking up and returning patients who elope from the Crisis Stabilization Unit while there pursuant to court order or certificate of an authorized professional;

BE IT, THEREFORE, RESOLVED that the Orange County Sheriff is hereby designated to be the agency responsible for taking persons into custody upon entry of an ex parte order or execution of a certificate by an authorized professional, as provided in § 394.463, Florida Statutes, and transporting those persons to a receiving facility; provided, however, that the Orlando Police Department is hereby authorized to take into custody and transport to the Crisis Stabilization Unit those persons who have eloped from the Unit while there pursuant to court order or certificate of an authorized professional.

DULY ADOPTED in regular session this 4th day of March,
1985.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: Hal Marston
HAL MARSTON, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST.

THOMAS H. LOCKER, CLERK
Board of County Commissioners

BY: Mary A. Harrison
DEPUTY CLERK