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RESOLUTION NO. 95-M-95

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF A
DISABILITY ADVISORY BOARD.

WHEREAS, from time to time the Board of County
Commissioners creates advisory boards to provide advice on
specific problems, projects or programs;

WHEREAS, Chapter 2, Article VI, Orange County Code,
provides standards for the creation, operation and review of
advisory boards; and

WHEREAS, the advice and input of interested parties and
citizens is conducive to effective legislation and protection
and enhancement of the interests of the disabled in Orange
County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS OF ORANGE COUNTY:

Section 1. Creation and Purpose of Disability Advisory
Board. Pursuant to the terms and conditions contained in
Chapter 2, Article VI, Orange County Code, the Disability
Advisory Board is hereby created for the purpose of providing
citizen input to the Board of County Commissioners about
related living and life conditions that affect the disabled
community.

Section 2. Definitions. The term "disability" shall be
defined as provided in the Americans with Disabilities Act,
codified in 42 USC §12102(2), as amended or replaced from time
to time, which states:

The term "disability" means with respect to
an individual - -

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- (A) a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more of the major life activities of such individual;
- (B) a record of such an impairment; or
- (C) being regarded as having such an impairment.

Section 3. Disability Advisory Board Functions, Powers and Responsibilities.

1. The Disability Advisory Board, hereinafter sometimes referred to as the "Board," shall have the following functions, powers and responsibilities:

- a. Providing input to the Board of County Commissioners on complaints lodged by the disabled community.
- b. Addressing problems of the disabled in accessing County public accommodations and services and making recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners in connection therewith.
- c. Recommending priority funding needs of the disabled, to the Board of County Commissioners and other entities as directed by the Board.
- d. Identifying areas for collaboration and partnership between government and private business for the delivery of services to the disabled and making recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners in connection therewith.
- e. Developing a better awareness of the abilities and needs of the disabled.

69 f. Coordinating with designated Orange County Human
Resources staff regarding issues involving Orange
71 County's employment of the disabled, including
issues pertaining to the provision of a
reasonable accommodation and other placement
73 issues affecting the disabled.

75 g. Providing assistance to the County's
EEO/Professional Standards staff as requested in
regard to complaints of discrimination against
77 the disabled and issues pertaining to the
County's compliance with laws related to the
79 disabled.

81 h. Coordinating with designated County staff to
address the disabled's accessibility to all newly
constructed County public buildings and to
83 encourage the modification of older County
facilities to better meet the needs of the
85 disabled.

2. Due to the complexity of problems that face the
87 disabled community, the chairperson of the Board shall consult
with the Coalition for Citizens with Disabilities. The
89 Coalition for Citizens with Disabilities consists of
individuals, representatives from varied providers of
91 disability services, and/or special advocacy groups and thus,
can be utilized as a source for technical advise and a provider
93 of other resources in order to ensure that professional input
relating to the disabled and their needs is available to the
95 Board when required.

Section 4. Number of Members, Appointments and
97 Qualifications. The Disability Advisory Board shall consist of
seven (7) members and shall be appointed by the Board of County
99 Commissioners. In order to promote unbiased objectivity in the
performance of their duties, members of the Board shall not be
101 Orange County employees or persons who are paid professionals
or staff members affiliated with companies or agencies
103 providing services to the disabled. Appointments to the Board
shall reflect the intent to have representation from citizens
105 affected by a diversity of disabilities.

Section 5. Meetings. The Board shall meet at least once
107 every other month with special and committee meetings convened
as required. Special meetings may be held upon the call of the
109 chair or four (4) of the members of the Board upon the giving
of twenty-four hour written notice to the members of the
111 Board. The Board shall fix a definite time and place for
regular meetings. A majority of the members of the Board shall
113 constitute a quorum.

Section 6. Terms, Removal, Vacancies, Attendance, etc.
115 Except as noted below, The Disability Advisory Board shall
comply and be governed by Chapter 2, Article VI of the Orange

117 County Code as it may be amended or revised from time to time
(or by any successor provisions of the code):

119 1. The members shall serve for terms of two (2) years
each to expire on June thirtieth except for the
121 initial terms with three (3) members to serve for one
year terms, and four (4) members to serve for two year
123 terms.

2. In addition to a chair and vice-chair the Board shall,
125 after its annual appointments are made, elect a
secretary from its members who shall have such duties
127 specified by the Board.

3. The members of the Board shall be volunteers and shall
129 serve without compensation.

4. Attendance requirements shall be directed by Section
131 2-208(2) of the Orange County Code, except that
consideration shall be given for excused absences.

133 Section 7. Staff Support. The County's Health and
Community Services Division shall provide staff support to the
135 Disability Advisory Board in the coordination of meetings,
recording of minutes and handling of Disability Advisory Board
137 correspondence.

Section 8. Effective Date; Sunset.

139 This Resolution shall become effective upon the date of
adoption by the Board of County Commissioners and shall expire
141 and be of no further force and effect on December 31, 2001,
unless readopted by the Board of County Commissioners before
143 that date.

Adopted this 10th day OCTOBER, 1995.

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Orange County, Florida

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By: [Signature]
for the County Chairman

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Date: OCT 10 1995

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

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By: [Signature]
Deputy Clerk

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