WHEREAS, Orange County Government through its Department of Community Affairs, has for the past eighteen years capably assisted in meeting the emergency needs of its citizens and conducted programs leading toward economic self-sufficiency; and,

WHEREAS, the flexibility, innovativeness, and responsiveness of the community action program enables this County to carry out tasks which otherwise might not be accomplished; and,

WHEREAS, to our knowledge, community action programs throughout the State have had a major impact on the amelioration of poverty and the care of the disadvantaged; and,

WHEREAS, historically the intent of Congress has been to support a significant role for community action programs, and have directed that they shall be primary recipients of funding, appropriated for such purposes; and,

WHEREAS, this County has, and will continue to play a significant role in the social and economic development of the citizens of this area; and,

WHEREAS, the Community Services Block Grant Advisory Committee to the State Department of Community Affairs is composed of qualified and competent individuals who are broadly representative of the agencies and populations to be served under the Community Services Block Grant Act; and,

WHEREAS, under the present rules of the Department and the requirements of State and Federal law, the State Department now has adequate means to enforce fiscal and programmatic compliance and ensure contractual integrity; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED

1) that the State Department of Community Affairs promulgate only such rules as are necessary to assure accountability and programmatic effectiveness;

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2) that membership of the Community Services Block Grant Advisory Committee not be reduced, and that eligible entities, corresponding to their role as major grantees, exercise a majority role on such committees; and,

3) that the advice and recommendations of the Community Services Block Grant State Advisory Committee be adequately reflected in the development and implementation of Department rules and policy; and,

4) that cash match not be required prior to receipt of grant funds, but be supplied at reasonable times during the course of the grant fiscal period; and,

5) that other such matters as public notification of Board of Directors meetings, and reporting requirements and timetables be generously designed to reflect particulars of each county.

SIGNED AND SEALED this 5th Day of December, 1983.

ATTEST:

[Signature]