WHEREAS, Orange County, California, will celebrate its Centennial Celebration in 1989; and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Centennial committee, through its legislative delegation, has requested Navy Secretary John Lehman to name a new LHD 1 or LSD 41 class amphibious ship—the USS Orange County; and

WHEREAS, Orange County, Florida, has been invited to join in this request because of the many things shared by both counties: very important naval commands with long-standing and warm relationships between local governments and the U.S. Navy, sports, sunshine, citrus, tourism, the manufacture of defense and aerospace products, high technology regions; and

WHEREAS, both counties have large populations of active, reserve, and retired military personnel who have made significant contributions to the national defense; and

WHEREAS, the residents of both counties are noted for their deep sense of patriotism and a cooperative spirit with all branches of the service; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the Orange Counties in California and Florida, there are other county governments in Indiana, New York, North Carolina, Texas, Vermont and Virginia who would share a floating namesake;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Orange County, Florida, hereby joins Orange County, California, in requesting the United States Congress and the United States Navy to look favorably upon this proposal; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that all municipalities throughout Orange County, Florida, are encouraged to join in recognizing and supporting this request.

SIGNED and SEALED this 24th day of November, 1986.

LOU TREADWAY, CHAIRMAN

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APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AT THEIR MEETING

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