WHEREAS, the State of Florida is fortunate to have a large number of veterans of America's Armed Forces residing within its territorial jurisdiction; and,

WHEREAS, a consolidated and coordinated effort at the State level is necessary to provide for the special services and needs of the State's veterans; and,

WHEREAS, the existing departmental structure of the State Government does not sufficiently address the pressing need for veteran services provided by the public sector; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners firmly believes that the sacrifice made by the State's veterans is deserved of recognition at the State level through the creation of a Department of Veterans Affairs for the purpose of enhancing the delivery of public services to the State's veterans.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Orange County, Florida, in regular session duly assembled that said Board hereby respectfully requests the Governor of the State of Florida and the Florida Legislature to create a Department of Veterans Affairs for the purpose of providing a coordinated and consolidated State effort in addressing the needs of the State's veterans population.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners hereby directs the Clerk of the Board to forward a certified copy of the foregoing Resolution to the Governor of the State of Florida, the President of the Florida Senate, and the Speaker of the Florida House.

DONE AND RESOLVED this 20th day of April, 1987.

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF Orange COUNTY, FLORIDA

ATTEST:

BY: Mary L. Harrison

Deputy Clerk

BY: J. W. Trendly

Chairman

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OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY

BY: John F. Hamilton

Attorney