WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of Orange County to diversify its economy; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Space Program is growing and provides clean, well paying high technology jobs; and

WHEREAS, on July 20, 1989, President Bush stated that the U.S. will return astronauts to the moon to stay; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of NASA to award billions of dollars of contracts to put astronauts on the moon by the year 2001; and

WHEREAS, an international joint venture of corporations has proposed to build a lunar research, education and visitors center at International Corporate Park in Orange County; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Moonbase #1 partners to abide by the development order and land-use restrictions currently controlling the development of International Corporate Park;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners of Orange County, Florida, support the development of Moonbase #1 and will take the proactive measures necessary to insure that the Moonbase #1 development receives adequate consideration throughout its permitting process. It is the hope of the Board of County Commissioners that this project will come to fruition in Orange County for the benefit of the U.S. Space Program and the residents of Orange and Brevard counties.

ADOPTED this 26th day of December, 1989.

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