

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS AT THEIR MEETING  
OCT 22 1990 *hall*

90-M-62

# Resolution

**WHEREAS,** Central Florida is experiencing the first outbreak of St. Louis encephalitis since 1977; and

**WHEREAS,** Florida is unusual in that this disease tends to appear over large areas instead of being localized; and

**WHEREAS,** encephalitis is characterized by headache, stiff neck, fever and disorientation, and severe cases, when not fatal, often show some evidence of nerve impairment that heals over time; and

**WHEREAS,** there is no known cure for this disease, and 7-10% of active cases in an outbreak will usually result in death; and

**WHEREAS,** this potentially deadly disease is carried by a species of mosquito which does not fly until there is about 95% humidity and then usually only at night; and

**WHEREAS,** the Halloween tradition of nighttime "trick or treating" will this year expose many ages of children and adults to the unnecessary risk of being bitten by an encephalitis mosquito, with potentially tragic consequences;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** Be It Resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Orange County, Florida, that the citizens of Orange County:

Section 1. Are encouraged to take their children "trick or treating" during daylight hours on Saturday, October 27, 1990, in order to avoid the risk of exposure to encephalitis; and

Section 2. Do all else in their power to ensure the safety and well-being of their children and themselves during this outbreak of St. Louis encephalitis.

**DONE AND ORDERED** this 22nd day of October, 1990.

*Hal Marston*

HAL MARSTON, CHAIRMAN

*Vera M. Carter*

VERA M. CARTER

*Tom Dorman*

TOM DORMAN

*Linda W. Chapin*

LINDA W. CHAPIN

*Bill Donegan*

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