

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS AT THEIR MEETING

AUG 6 1991

RESOLUTION NO. 91-M-47

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA, DECLARING THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 23 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 29, 1991, AS NATIONAL HISTIOCYTOSIS AWARENESS WEEK; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Histiocytosis-X is a very rare blood disease in which the body's defense system causes the white blood cells (histiocytes) to multiply wildly and attack healthy organs such as the spleen, liver, lymph nodes, skin, and bones; and

WHEREAS, most of the victims of Histiocytosis-X are young children, who have to endure rigorous and sometimes experimental treatment programs, usually involving chemotherapy and various forms of steroids; and

WHEREAS, Histiocytosis-X is considered an orphan disease which receives very little funding for research towards its cause and cure; and

WHEREAS, the appropriate federal agencies should be made aware of the growing public concern over the plight of the victims of Histiocytosis-X and other orphan diseases.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA:

Section 1. That the week of September 23 through September 29, 1991, is hereby declared Histiocytosis Awareness Week in Orange County, Florida.

Section 2. That the Clerk is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the following elected officials with the intent of expressing Orange County's concern for the plight of victims of orphan diseases such as Histiocytosis-X, while encouraging the need for federal funding in order that research can be generated to find cures and treatment programs:

The Honorable Bob Graham
The Honorable Connie Mack
The Honorable Bill McCollum

The Honorable Jim Bacchus

United States Senate
United States Senate
U.S. House of Representa-
tives Fifth District
U.S. House of Representa-
tives Eleventh District

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED THIS 6th DAY OF August, 1991.

ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: Linda W. Chapin
County Chairman

DATE: August 29, 1991

ATTEST: Martha O. Haynie,
County Comptroller as Clerk to
the Board of County Commissioners

BY: Mary J. Garrison
Deputy Clerk

STATE OF FLORIDA

SS:

COUNTY OF ORANGE

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners at their regular meeting held on August 6, 1991, which is on file in the office of the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the official seal of the Board of County Commissioners, Orange County, Florida, this 29th day of August 1991.

Martha O. Haynie, County Comptroller
As Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners
Orange County, Florida

By:


Deputy Clerk

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