RESOLUTION NO. 92-ENV-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA SUPPORTING THE INCLUSION OF THE ECON-ST. JOHNS RIVER CORRIDOR PROJECT ON THE PRIORITY LIST OF THE CONSERVATION AND RECREATION LANDS PROGRAM AND ACQUISITION OF THE PROJECT BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT TRUST OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA; STATING THE INTENT OF ORANGE COUNTY TO COORDINATE WITH SEMINOLE COUNTY TO SPONSOR THE PROJECT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Econ-St. Johns River Corridor Project (Exhibit 1), containing approximately 13,580 acres in Seminole and Orange Counties, is being proposed for acquisition under the Conservation and Recreation Lands Program;

WHEREAS, the Econ-St. Johns River Corridor Project is within the jurisdictional boundaries of Orange and Seminole Counties;

WHEREAS, the Econ-St. Johns River Corridor Project incorporates diverse natural communities which have great value for wildlife habitat and public recreation in a rapidly urbanizing area of the state;

WHEREAS, the lands comprising the Econ-St. Johns River Corridor Project have been identified by citizen advisory committees in both Orange and Seminole Counties as environmentally significant;

WHEREAS, the Econ-St. Johns River Corridor Project is bordered on the north by the Lower Econlockhatchee CARL project currently ranked Number 39 on the list of acquisition priorities;

WHEREAS, to the south and to the east, the Econ-St. Johns River Corridor Project is adjacent to the publicly owned Seminole Ranch;

WHEREAS, the acquisition of the Econ-St. Johns River Corridor Project will create contiguous public ownership stretching from the Tosohatchee Preserve in Orange County to the Lower Econlockhatchee CARL Project in Seminole County; and
WHEREAS, the citizens of both Orange and Seminole Counties will benefit from the acquisition and preservation of the Econ-St. Johns River Corridor Project.

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

1. Orange County supports the inclusion of the Econ-St. Johns River Corridor Project on the priority list of the Conservation and Recreation Lands Program and the acquisition of the Project under this program by the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of Florida.

2. Orange County will coordinate with Seminole County to sponsor the inclusion of the Econ-St. Johns River Corridor Project on the priority list of the Conservation and Recreation Lands Program.

3. This Resolution shall become effective on the date of its adoption.


ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY: [Signature]
Orange County Chairman

ATTEST: Martha O. Haynie, Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners
BY: [Signature]
Deputy Clerk