RESOLUTION NO. 93-M-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IN SUPPORT OF THE MERGER OF THE ORANGE-SEMINOLE-OSCEOLA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "LYNX", AND THE CENTRAL FLORIDA COMMUTER RAIL AUTHORITY INTO ONE AGENCY

WHEREAS, the Orange County Board of County Commissioners supports the continued development of an efficient, capable system of public transportation; and

WHEREAS, the Orange-Seminole-Osceola Transportation Authority, as created by interlocal agreement, has long provided mass transit service to the residents and businesses of the Orange County area; and

WHEREAS, the Central Florida Commuter Rail Authority was created by the Florida legislature for the purpose of developing a commuter rail system in Central Florida; and

WHEREAS, these two agencies have a similar purpose: that of developing the best public transportation system for the residents of Orange County; and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Board of County Commissioners has been a committed financial partner in the development of both of these agencies, and along with the City of Orlando, provide most of the funding for these agencies; and

WHEREAS, in merging, Seminole County, Osceola County, and the cities of Kissimmee and Altamonte Springs should become equal partners in sharing the financial responsibilities associated with operating and further developing the system of public transportation in the Orange County area; and

WHEREAS, the merger of these two agencies represents a tremendous opportunity for the residents of Orange County upon which the success of our future growth and development as a community depends;
NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Orange County, Florida that the Orange County Board of County Commissioners supports the merger of the Orange-Seminole-Osceola Transportation Authority, otherwise known as "LYNX", and the Central Florida Commuter Rail Authority into one agency provided that:

Section 1. The merged agency has a board that is constituted in the following manner:

- One member who shall be an Orange County Commission member
- One member who shall be a Seminole County Commission member
- One member who shall be an Osceola County Commission member
- One member who shall be an Orlando City Council member
- One member who shall be a Kissimmee City Council member
- One member who shall be an Altamonte Springs City Council member
- One member who shall be representative of the District Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation
- Two members who shall be appointed by the Governor and shall reside in the Orange County/Orlando urban area as defined by the Metropolitan Planning Organization

Section 2. The Osceola County Commission, Seminole County Commission, Kissimmee City Council, and Altamonte Springs City Council prepare and present within 90 days of the approval of this resolution individual resolutions which detail their budget plans to provide unrestricted funding to the merged agency over a period of five years to reach a funding level consistent with that of their respective populations and employment, and in a manner similar to that of Orange County and the City of Orlando, as promulgated in their five-year Capital Improvement Programs, State Comprehensive Plans, and similar planning documents.

Section 3. Legislation offered for consideration by the Florida Legislature must include suitable means by which the merged agency may be reconstituted if any of the member
agencies fail to produce appropriate budget plans, or
provide appropriate financial support.

ADOPTED this 26th day of January, 1993.

ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: Linda W. Chapin, Chairman
    Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST: Martha O. Haynie, Comptroller
        As Clerk to the Board
        Of County Commissioners

BY: DEPUTY CLERK