A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF A DISABILITY ADVISORY BOARD.

WHEREAS, from time to time the Board of County Commissioners creates advisory boards to provide advice on specific problems, projects or programs;

WHEREAS, Chapter 2, Article VI, Orange County Code, provides standards for the creation, operation and review of advisory boards; and

WHEREAS, the advice and input of interested parties and citizens is conducive to effective legislation and protection and enhancement of the interests of the disabled in Orange County.

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

Section 1. Creation and Purpose of Disability Advisory Board. Pursuant to the terms and conditions contained in Chapter 2, Article VI, Orange County Code, the Disability Advisory Board is hereby created for the purpose of providing citizen input to the Board of County Commissioners about related living and life conditions that affect the disabled community.

Section 2. Definitions. The term "disability" shall be defined as provided in the Americans with Disabilities Act, codified in 42 USC §12102(2), as amended or replaced from time to time, which states:

The term "disability" means with respect to an individual --
(A) a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more of the major life activities of such individual;

(B) a record of such an impairment; or

(C) being regarded as having such an impairment.

Section 3. Disability Advisory Board Functions, Powers and Responsibilities.

1. The Disability Advisory Board, hereinafter sometimes referred to as the "Board," shall have the following functions, powers and responsibilities:

a. Providing input to the Board of County Commissioners on complaints lodged by the disabled community.

b. Addressing problems of the disabled in accessing County public accommodations and services and making recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners in connection therewith.

c. Recommending priority funding needs of the disabled, to the Board of County Commissioners and other entities as directed by the Board.

d. Identifying areas for collaboration and partnership between government and private business for the delivery of services to the disabled and making recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners in connection therewith.

e. Developing a better awareness of the abilities and needs of the disabled.
f. Coordinating with designated Orange County Human Resources staff regarding issues involving Orange County's employment of the disabled, including issues pertaining to the provision of a reasonable accommodation and other placement issues affecting the disabled.

g. Providing assistance to the County's EEO/Professional Standards staff as requested in regard to complaints of discrimination against the disabled and issues pertaining to the County's compliance with laws related to the disabled.

h. Coordinating with designated County staff to address the disabled's accessibility to all newly constructed County public buildings and to encourage the modification of older County facilities to better meet the needs of the disabled.

2. Due to the complexity of problems that face the disabled community, the chairperson of the Board shall consult with the Coalition for Citizens with Disabilities. The Coalition for Citizens with Disabilities consists of individuals, representatives from varied providers of disability services, and/or special advocacy groups and thus, can be utilized as a source for technical advise and a provider of other resources in order to ensure that professional input relating to the disabled and their needs is available to the Board when required.
Section 4. Number of Members, Appointments and Qualifications. The Disability Advisory Board shall consist of seven (7) members and shall be appointed by the Board of County Commissioners. In order to promote unbiased objectivity in the performance of their duties, members of the Board shall not be Orange County employees or persons who are paid professionals or staff members affiliated with companies or agencies providing services to the disabled. Appointments to the Board shall reflect the intent to have representation from citizens affected by a diversity of disabilities.

Section 5. Meetings. The Board shall meet at least once every other month with special and committee meetings convened as required. Special meetings may be held upon the call of the chair or four (4) of the members of the Board upon the giving of twenty-four hour written notice to the members of the Board. The Board shall fix a definite time and place for regular meetings. A majority of the members of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

Section 6. Terms, Removal, Vacancies, Attendance, etc. Except as noted below, The Disability Advisory Board shall comply and be governed by Chapter 2, Article VI of the Orange
County Code as it may be amended or revised from time to time (or by any successor provisions of the code):

1. The members shall serve for terms of two (2) years each to expire on June thirtieth except for the initial terms with three (3) members to serve for one year terms, and four (4) members to serve for two year terms.

2. In addition to a chair and vice-chair the Board shall, after its annual appointments are made, elect a secretary from its members who shall have such duties specified by the Board.

3. The members of the Board shall be volunteers and shall serve without compensation.

4. Attendance requirements shall be directed by Section 2-208(2) of the Orange County Code, except that consideration shall be given for excused absences.

Section 7. Staff Support. The County's Health and Community Services Division shall provide staff support to the Disability Advisory Board in the coordination of meetings, recording of minutes and handling of Disability Advisory Board correspondence.

Section 8. Effective Date; Sunset.

This Resolution shall become effective upon the date of adoption by the Board of County Commissioners and shall expire and be of no further force and effect on December 31, 2001, unless readopted by the Board of County Commissioners before that date.
Adopted this 10\textsuperscript{th} day OCTOBER, 1995.

Orange County, Florida

By: (Signature)

County Chairman

Date: OCT 10 1995

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

By: (Signature)

Deputy Clerk