RESOLUTION NO. 96-M-29

RESOLUTION OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA, IN SUPPORT OF JOINING THE CITIES FOR CLIMATE PROTECTION CAMPAIGN

WHEREAS, energy consumption, specifically the burning of fossil fuels, e.g.: coal, oil and gas, accounts for more than 85% of U.S. greenhouse emissions; and

WHEREAS, local government actions taken to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and increase energy efficiency provide multiple local benefits by decreasing air pollution, creating jobs, reducing energy expenditures, and saving money for the local government, its businesses and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Cities for Climate Protection Campaign, sponsored by the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency will provide cities and counties in the Campaign with:

a. a framework for determining the sources of local greenhouse gas emissions;

b. information and assistance in developing a local action plan that will reduce energy demand and greenhouse gas emissions and provide tangible community benefits;

c. publications such as the Climate Action Tool Kit for Municipal Managers, and Profiting from Energy Efficiency; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners deems that it is in the best interest of the citizens of Orange County, Florida, to participate in the Cities for Climate Protection Campaign as more particularly set forth below.

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

SECTION 1. Orange County, Florida, pledges to join with local governments, including cities and counties, all over the world in the Cities for Climate Protection Campaign.

SECTION 2. That as a participant in the Cities for Climate Protection Campaign, Orange County, Florida, pledges to:

a. Take a leadership role by increasing the energy efficiency and reducing the
greenhouse gas emissions from county operations.

b. Develop a local action plan to increase energy efficiency and reduce greenhouse gas emissions throughout the community.

SECTION 3. Effective Date. The resolution shall take effect as of the date of its adoption.

ADOPTED THIS 4th DAY OF July 1996.

ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: County Chairman

DATE: JUL 09 1996

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

BY: Deputy Clerk

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