RESOLUTION NO. 97-M-58

A RESOLUTION OF THE ORANGE COUNTY BOARD
OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 22-28,
1998, "JUST FIX IT" WEEK TO PROMOTE THE SPAY AND
NEUTERING OF CATS AND DOGS.

WHEREAS, nation-wide approximately 15 to 20 million dogs
and cats are killed at Humane Societies and Animal Control
shelters each year;

WHEREAS, one dog and her offspring can produce 67,000 dogs
in six years, and one cat and her offspring can produce 420,000
cats in seven years;

WHEREAS, this killing of dogs and cats is the direct
result of pet overpopulation, and not having enough homes for
all of these animals;

WHEREAS, the citizens of Orange County can help end this
tragedy by having animals spayed and neutered;

WHEREAS, "Spay Day USA" is a national event supported by:
American Humane Association, The American Society for the
for Animals, The Humane Society of the United States,
Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals,
National Alliance for Animals, National Animal Control
Association, New England Federation of Humane Societies, Pet
Food Institute, and Progressive Animal Welfare Society; and
sponsored by the Doris Day Animal League.

WHEREAS, "Spay Day USA" is responsible for the
sterilization of over 28,000 animals in 1995, 51,000 animals in
1996, and 78,000 animals in 1997, by participating animal
shelters and veterinarians at this annual event;

WHEREAS, "Spay Day USA 1998" is scheduled to take place
nation-wide on February 24, 1998;

WHEREAS, 8,302 dogs and cats were killed in fiscal year
1994/1995, 9,700 dogs and cats were killed in fiscal year
1995/1996, and 9,521 dogs and cats were killed in fiscal year
1996/1997, at Orange County Animal Services;

WHEREAS, Orange County Animal Services operates a
spay/neuter clinic offering free or low-cost sterilizations of
dogs and cats;
WHEREAS, the Orange County Board of County Commissioners promotes "Citizens First" and encourages Orange County staff to go beyond expectations by being progressive, dedicated, and professional and, therefore, the Board deems it to be in the best interest of the citizens of Orange County to participate in Spay Day as more particularly set forth below.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of Orange County, Florida, hereby resolves that:

Section 1. February 22-28, 1998 is hereby proclaimed "Just Fix It" Week in Orange County.

Section 2. Orange County pledges to reduce the cost of sterilization surgeries and preventative rabies vaccinations over 50% during "Just Fix It" Week by offering dog spays for $12.00, dog neuters for $7.00, cat spays for $10.00, cat neuters for FREE, and rabies vaccinations for $2.00, per animal.

Section 3. The Board of County Commissioners of Orange County encourages and urges the citizens of Orange County to sterilize their pets and participate in "Just Fix It" Week.

Section 4. Effect Date. This resolution shall take effect upon its adoption.

ADOPTED THIS 29TH DAY OF December, 1997.

ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: __________________
County Chairman

DATE: DEC 30, 1997

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

BY: __________________
Deputy Clerk