

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE ORANGE COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS IN SUPPORT OF NEMOURS CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL IN ORLANDO, FLORIDA; ENCOURAGING SUPPORT OF MUNICIPALITIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN CENTRAL FLORIDA FOR NEMOURS CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL IN ORLANDO, FLORIDA; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the genesis of Nemours is found in the will of Alfred I. DuPont where he expressed his desire to alleviate human suffering; and

WHEREAS, Nemours was incorporated in 1936 and currently receives funding through the Alfred I. DuPont Testamentary Trust and the Edward Ball Estate; and

WHEREAS, in 1940 Nemours opened its first health care institution, what is now the Alfred I. DuPont Hospital for Children, located in Delaware, and today operates its stand alone children's hospital in Delaware and numerous children's health care clinics in Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Florida; and

WHEREAS, since establishing its Orlando clinic in 1997 through 2005, Nemours has provided over \$140 million in mission support to Central Florida, currently employs a total of more than 200 associates and physicians covering numerous specialties and hospital based physicians; and

WHEREAS, currently, the pediatric specialty practices and clinics of Nemours operating in Orlando, Pensacola and Jacksonville have invested over \$500 million in mission support in the State of Florida, have treated almost 800,000 Florida children, employ over 130 physicians in the State, and have had an economic impact of \$240 million annually; and

WHEREAS, Nemours is proposing to build a fully endowed, top-tier integrated children's health system, inclusive of a 95 bed, \$260 million state-of-the-art children's hospital, in addition to the planned clinic and related facilities in Orlando, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Orlando is fortunate to have excellent community hospitals and that Nemours' addition of pediatric subspecialty care will serve to enhance the healthcare system for infants, children and adolescents, regardless of their financial status; and

WHEREAS, in addition to providing the kind of specialized care that will attract patients from around the world, Nemours will also employ as many as 1,500 people, add \$350 million annually to the Central Florida economy, enhance the region's reputation as a world-class provider of medical care, make Central Florida a logical location for ancillary health-care based businesses; and

WHEREAS, Central Florida will have access to the Nemours Biomedical Research Program, ranked 13th in National Institutes of Health funding among children's hospitals, based on 2004 rankings; and

WHEREAS, the Nemours Orlando Children's Hospital along with the new UCF Medical School, a VA hospital, the Burnham Institute, and our two existing community hospitals, will create a "medical center of excellence" that will benefit our children, our families and our region; and

WHEREAS, the Nemours Orlando Children's Hospital will target patients with complex pediatric disease issues that require highly specialized resources and integrated patient management without requiring government subsidies.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Orange County Council of Mayors hereby finds that the proposed Nemours Orlando Children's Hospital is in the best interests of the citizens of Orange County and the undersigned Mayors representing a majority of the Orange County Council of Mayors support the efforts to build the Nemours Orlando Children's Hospital and encourage other municipalities and local governments in Central Florida to publicly express their support as well.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread upon the Official Minutes of the Orange County Council of Mayors, this Resolution be presented to Karen Breakell, Director of Community Relations of Nemours and this Resolution be presented to other municipalities and local governments throughout Central Florida.

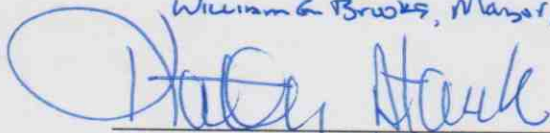
ADOPTED this 3rd day of November, 2006, A.D.



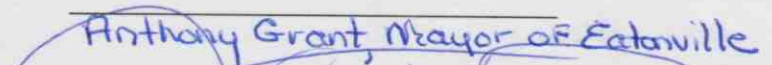
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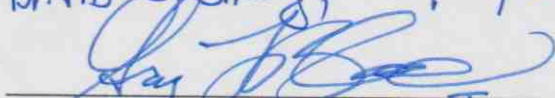
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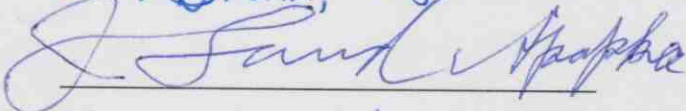
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