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of the

ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

regarding

SUPPORT OF “BEST FOOT FORWARD FOR PEDESTRIAN SAFETY,” A COMMUNITYWIDE INITIATIVE TO REDUCE PEDESTRIAN INJURIES AND FATALITIES IN CENTRAL FLORIDA THROUGH EDUCATION, ENGINEERING, AND ENFORCEMENT

Resolution No. 2012-M-_____

WHEREAS, a multimodal transportation system, where streets are designed and operated to assure mobility, safety, and accessibility for all users, is integral to the success of Orange County’s growth management strategy; and

WHEREAS, Orange County has adopted Comprehensive Plan goals, objectives, and policies that support safe, convenient, and efficient pedestrian mobility; and

WHEREAS, Orange County has an established capital improvement program that includes annual funding for sidewalk construction and pedestrian safety improvements; and

WHEREAS, pedestrian injuries and fatalities are tragic, and there is a desire to improve safety for both residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, Section 316.130, Florida Statutes, states that vehicle drivers must yield the right-of-way to a pedestrian crossing within a crosswalk; and a pedestrian crossing a roadway at any point other than a crosswalk must yield the right-of-way to a vehicle; and

WHEREAS, a systematic regimen of public education, low-cost engineering, and high-visibility enforcement has been demonstrated to reduce pedestrian injuries and fatalities in other markets; and

WHEREAS, such programs have been shown to produce sustainable results by reducing deaths and injuries related to driving under the influence (DUI) and failing to wear a seatbelt.

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

46 **Section 1. Orange County's Support for "Best Foot Forward for Pedestrian**
Safety." Orange County supports the principles and practices of "Best Foot Forward for
48 Pedestrian Safety," and joins with other cities, towns, counties, law enforcement, and
regional planning agencies in a regional effort to reduce pedestrian injuries and fatalities.
50 Accordingly, Orange County intends to participate in this effort by educating both drivers
and pedestrians through established means of constituent communications and by
52 enhancing crosswalk signage to support high-visibility pedestrian enforcement actions.
These actions will enhance the health and well-being of the residents and visitors of
54 Orange County and contribute to Orange County's goal of creating a more walkable and
livable community.

56 **Section 2. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect on the date of its
adoption.

58 ADOPTED this 22nd day of MAY, 2012

60 ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
By: Board of County Commissioners

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64 By: _____
 Teresa Jacobs, County Mayor

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

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72 By: _____
 Deputy Clerk

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