

RESOLUTION

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 healthcare institution, now known as the Alfred I. DuPont Hospital for Children located in Delaware, and today operates healthcare clinics in Delaware, New Jersey and Florida; and

WHEREAS, since establishing the Nemours Orlando clinic in 1997 and through 2005, Nemours has provided over \$140 million in mission support to Central Florida, and currently employs over 200 associates and physicians covering numerous specialties; and

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

WHEREAS, Orlando is fortunate to have excellent hospitals, two of which have each been recognized as one of America's Best Hospitals, and added services will only enhance the healthcare system for the citizens of Central Florida, especially its children; and

WHEREAS, Nemours proposes to build an independent, comprehensive pediatric hospital that will improve the well being of children in Central Florida by providing a location where many pediatric ailments can be treated in one facility; and

WHEREAS, the University of Central Florida Medical School and the prestigious Burnham Institute will locate in Orlando at Lake Nona with a University of Florida research program, and the proposed Nemours' pediatric healthcare campus inclusive of its Biomedical Research Program, could further strengthen a "medical city" concept; and

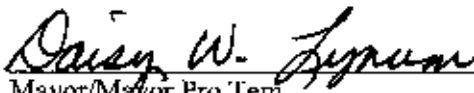
WHEREAS, the extensive research efforts by the universities, the Burnham Institute and Nemours can be combined where practical to further medical advancements for both adults and children;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council for the City of Orlando does hereby proclaim our endorsement and support of the Nemours Children's Hospital in Orlando, Florida and expresses support for Nemours building a state of the art Children's Hospital in Orlando that will not simply duplicate services, but enhance the current healthcare system already provided by our community's excellent hospitals.

DONE AND RESOLVED this 11th day of December, 2006.


ATTEST:

  
Alana C. Brenner, City Clerk

  
Mayor/Mayor Pro Tem

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY  
For the use and reliance of the  
City of Orlando, Florida, only.

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City Attorney  
Orlando, Florida