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House Resolution

A resolution recognizing CountyWatch.

WHEREAS, CountyWatch was founded in 1992 as the Citizens for Representative Government to be a nonpartisan citizen watchdog group, organized to guarantee government accountability in Orange County, and

WHEREAS, the purposes of CountyWatch are to promote open and accountable government in Orange County, to address issues of countywide concern, and to serve as a multipartisan forum to address issues of campaign ethics and practices as well as other issues impacting the political process, and in order to facilitate these purposes, CountyWatch publishes citizen plans known as Gateway reports to inform elected officials and candidates of policies important to the citizens of Orange County, and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of 1999-2000 officers Dolores Ciaponi, Lew Oliver, Doug Head, Carol Foglesong, and William Peters; and under its 1999-2000 executive committee members Fran Pignone, Lou Treadway, and Robert E. Spears, CountyWatch has flourished, and

WHEREAS, the vigilance of CountyWatch has improved the openness, responsiveness, and accessibility of government in Orange County, and ensures that the concerns of citizens be heard, and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and appropriate that the Florida House of Representatives recognize CountyWatch for years of service to the citizens of Orange County, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Florida:

1 That the House of Representatives recognizes and
2 commends CountyWatch, its officers, executive committee, and
3 members, for their efforts toward bettering the lives of the
4 citizens of Orange County.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution
6 be presented to Dolores Ciaponi, Chairman of CountyWatch, as a
7 tangible token of the sentiments expressed herein.

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