

Resolution No. 2005-R-_____

RESOLUTION

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA ON THE 24th DAY OF MAY, A.D., 2005.

WHEREAS, ART GRINDLE, a native of Chicago and an Army veteran of World War II, moved to Central Florida in 1968 with his wife, Phyllis and their children, founded a successful car dealership, developed a diverse business portfolio including insurance, mortgage lending, stocks and real estate brokerage, and became an adjunct professor at Rollins College and Nova University; and

WHEREAS, ART GRINDLE was elected in 1982 to the Florida House of Representatives, serving a total of 10 years, during which he sponsored the automobile Lemon Law, worked to create Florida's Child Abuse statutes, and was instrumental in passage of the Tourism Tax; and

WHEREAS, ART GRINDLE generously devoted his time and efforts to charitable causes, including Children's Village of Seminole County, the Make A Wish Foundation, Boys and Girls Club (charter recipient of the Champ Award), the Leukemia Society of Central Florida (Service to Mankind Award winner), 20 years with the Rotary Club (receiving 2 Paul Harris Fellow Awards), and the March of Dimes (recipient of the Distinguished Volunteer Award); and

WHEREAS, ART GRINDLE has performed outstanding service to the greater community as co-creator of the annual Seminole Community College Dream Auction and as auctioneer for 20 years to raise millions in SCC scholarship funds, hosted the Cerebral Palsy Telethon for 8 years, raised funds for Catholic and Protestant churches in the area and the Jewish Community Center in Maitland and several Veterans organizations, and in 2004 founded the Art & Phyllis Grindle Foundation, Inc. to aid children; and

WHEREAS, ART GRINDLE has now been selected to receive the 2005 Leadership Seminole *Legends Award* recognizing the achievements and positive community impact of a Seminole County resident who has demonstrated solid character traits, leadership and vision in making Seminole County a better place to live, work and raise a family; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners wishes to express its appreciation on behalf of the citizens of Seminole County, Florida to ART GRINDLE for his dedication to community service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Seminole County, Florida that this Resolution be spread upon the Official Minutes by the Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for the County of Seminole, and that this Resolution be presented to ART GRINDLE in recognition of his many years of service to the residents of Seminole County.

ADOPTED, this 24th day of May, A.D. 2005.

ATTEST:

Maryanne Morse, Clerk to the Board
Of County Commissioners in and for
The County of Seminole, Florida

Carlton D. Henley, Chairman

Date: _____