BOARD POLICY - SECTION NUMBER: 03.02.02.19

SUBJECT: BALANCED BUDGET

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 8, 1998

SUPERSEDES: NEW

Purpose:
The purpose of this policy is to establish professional standards for the balancing of the annual budget that are consistent with a goal of long term financial health for the County.

Policy:
It is the policy of the BOCC that the County adopt a balanced budget for all funds and any component subfunds of those funds. The County will avoid budget and accounting practices that balance the budget at the expense of future budgets. The budget will not use one-time (non-recurring) sources to fund continuing (recurring) uses, postpone expenditures, intentionally underestimate expenditures or overstate revenues, or use external borrowing for operational requirements.

Responsibility:
It is the responsibility of the Management and Budget Department, under the direction of the County Administrator, to implement this policy.

Approved By: Board of County Commissioners
Approval Date: July 8, 1998