RESOLUTION NO. 8384-R11 A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR A DEPOSIT ON BEVERAGE CONTAINERS WHEREAS, solid waste disposal is a critical problem in the Cities of Champaign and Urbana, Illinois, and the cost of disposing of solid waste is increasing; and WHEREAS, suitable disposal methods have been difficult to achieve by the Cities of Champaign and Urbana; and WHEREAS, the need to conserve natural resources is generally recognized; and WHEREAS, five to eight percent of the solid waste could be eliminated by the institution of a beverage container deposit law; and WHEREAS, unsightly littering discredits the community and creates costs that burden the taxpayer; and WHEREAS, other states, including Oregon, Michigan, Iowa, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maine, Vermont and New York, have passed laws requiring a deposit on beverage containers; and WHEREAS, state and national legislation would benefit the Cities of Champaign and Urbana; and WHEREAS, a beverage container ordinance would contribute to the general "quality of life" in the two cities. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS, as follows: Section 1. The City Council acknowledges the need for legislation to encourage recycling and reuse and to encourage wise use of natural resources and to discourage littering and its associated costs and to reduce the costs of solid waste disposal. Section 2. That the City Council hereby declares its support for and endorsement of legislation and/or regulation on a national or state level, requiring a deposit on soft drink and malt beverage containers to encourage reusable containers and recycling and to discourage littering. - 1 -

PASSED by the City Council this 31 day of October, 1983.

Ruth S. Brookens, City Clerk

APPROVED by the Mayor this _____ day of _____, 1983.

Jeffrey T, Markland, Mayof