

City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in the United States and in the State of Florida, fair housing is the law, and throughout the nation, the month of April is officially recognized as Fair Housing Month; and

WHEREAS, the principle of equality and justice for all includes the freedom to choose a home and is a right guaranteed to all Americans under Title VIII of the 1968 Civil Rights Act; and

WHEREAS, discrimination based on race, color, gender, religion, national origin, age, disability, marital status, sexual orientation, or gender identity is prohibited in the City of Gainesville; and

WHEREAS, successful implementation of the law requires the positive commitment, involvement, and support of each and every one of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, April 2008 marks the 40th anniversary of the Federal Fair Housing Act with the theme "Fair Housing: It's Not an Option, It's the Law!"

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pegeen Hanrahan, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby declare April 2008 as

National Fair Housing Month

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in our efforts to reaffirm fair housing opportunities for all residents.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 4th day of April, A.D., 2008.



Pegeen Hanrahan
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Mayor