City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the next Decennial Census will be taken in the year 2010, and will be used to determine political representation to the United States House of Representatives, state legislatures, and local governments, as well as the amount of funding that will be provided by the state and federal government for a number of programs in our community including public transportation, programs for the elderly, emergency food and shelter, Head Start programs and Title 1 grants to school districts; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gainesville recognizes the equal importance of each and every resident in the 2010 Census count and has agreed to be one of the 39,000 governmental entities in partnership with the United States Census Bureau; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gainesville understands that its primary role in the partnership is to participate as a partner in the Complete Count Committee for Alachua County, Florida that is representative of all segments of the community, including government, media, education, community-based organizations, faith-based organizations, and business; and

WHEREAS, the gathering of these segments of the community will seek to connect the community with outreach activities, education and awareness programs, and utilization of the media to inform residents to participate in and respond to the 2010 Census; and

WHEREAS, April 1, 2010 marks the official, constitutionally-mandated Census Day where every resident is called on to be counted.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pegeen Hanrahan, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim November 2009 - April 2010 as

Census Awareness Months

in the City of Gainesville, and invite all our citizens to join me in supporting the efforts of the Complete Count Committee for Alachua County, Florida to promote a full and complete response by residents of Gainesville to the 2010 Census.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this third day of November, A.D., 2009.

Pegeen Hanrahan

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Mayor