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July 10, 2000

The Honorable Paula DeLaney, Mayor  
Gainesville City Commission  
200 East University Avenue  
Gainesville, Florida 32602-0490

Re: July 10, 2000 Courthouse Presentation

Dear Mayor DeLaney,

On your agenda tonight is an item of critical importance to Gainesville's neighborhoods; thus, I will be brief.

The responsibility of the County Commission is to comply with the Court Order, and provide secure space for criminal proceedings. The County Commission intends to continue the location of the county courthouse in Gainesville, the county seat. Some people also believe that this public facility will be the cornerstone of economic revitalization in the southwest quadrant. As you know, we need your help to accomplish this downtown.

Both of our Commissions have agreed to work diligently to make this project succeed - and you have so directed your staff. We thank you for that commitment. Now, in order for the County Commission to proceed to the next phase, we must formally commit our partnership to writing.

Thus, the County Commission respectfully requests that you direct your Manager and Attorney to work with the County's management team to develop an interlocal agreement that outlines these commitments. In addition, I ask that you include a time certain - preferably within 30 days - by which you will consider a draft of this interlocal agreement.

As always, it is a pleasure to work with you. Thank you for your dedication to make this project successful.

With kind regards,

Penelope Wheat, Chair  
Alachua County Commission

cc: Alachua County Commission

