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City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Edward B. Braddy
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The McGuire Center for Lepidoptera and Biodiversity has become a major tourist attraction, at the Cultural Plaza under the auspices of the University of Florida Museum of Natural History; and

WHEREAS, an annual Butterfly Fest is being held at the Plaza, this weekend, on Saturday October 19th, and Sunday, October 20th; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Transit System has made bus stop changes to allow riders to go directly to the Plaza; and

WHEREAS, the City has been certified by the Butterfly Education Project as the first Butterfly City, with a commitment to protect, promote and preserve butterflies and other pollinators, including bees and birds; and

WHEREAS, the City encourages creation of butterfly gardens with appropriate non-invasive plants, and several public schools in the Alachua County School District are doing so, with assistance from its own Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Department, and the Florida Museum of Natural History; and

WHEREAS, such activities prompt a fresh spirit of cooperation in the community, between and among the municipality, the University of Florida, Santa Fe College and small businesses.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edward B. Braddy, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim October 19-20, 2013 as

Butterfly Fest Weekend

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in making the event a success to be remembered for years to come.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 15th day of October, A.D., 2013.



Ed B Braddy
Edward B. Braddy
Mayor