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City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, epilepsy is a neurological condition that affects 3 million people across the United States, with over 350,000 children and adults in the state of Florida diagnosed with recurring seizures; and

WHEREAS, people with epilepsy still face social stigmatization and discrimination affecting employment opportunities and career advancement; and

WHEREAS, the Epilepsy Service Providers Association and its affiliate, the Epilepsy Association of Central Florida, North Central Florida Region, are conducting a public education campaign throughout the year to dispel the misconceptions about people living with epilepsy, and especially during the month of November.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pegeen Hanrahan, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim November 2007 as

Epilepsy Awareness Month

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me and the North Central Florida Region of the Epilepsy Association of Central Florida in working to improve the quality of medical delivery and social, educational, and professional inclusion for all people in the state living with epilepsy.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 8th day of October, A.D., 2007.



Pegeen Hanrahan
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Mayor