

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, historic preservation is an effective tool for managing growth, revitalizing neighborhoods, fostering local pride, and maintaining community character while enhancing livability; and

WHEREAS, historic preservation is relevant for communities across the nation, both urban and rural, and for Americans of all ages, all walks of life, and all ethnic backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, it is important to celebrate the role of history in our lives and the contributions made by dedicated individuals in helping to preserve the tangible aspects of the heritage that has shaped us as a people; and

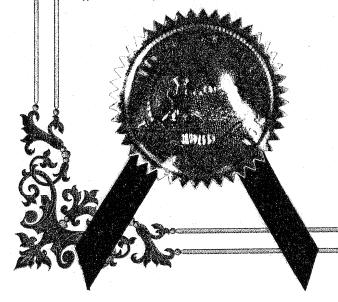
WHEREAS, "This Place Matters" is the theme for National Preservation Month 2008, co-sponsored by the City of Gainesville and the National Trust for Historic Preservation; and

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

National Historic Preservation Month

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join with communities across the United States in recognizing and participating in this special observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 14th day of April, A.D., 2008.



Peger Hamahan Degeen Hanrahan Mayor