

# City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Edward B. Braddy  
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Gainesville Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Department's Youth Cheerleading Teams have been cheering on the City's Youth Football Teams for over 50 years; and

WHEREAS, for the past 11 years, the Cheerleading Teams, coaches and parents have traveled annually to Orlando over Thanksgiving to compete in the Southeast Region Cheerleading Championships and for the past two years have competed in the National Cheer and Dance Championships at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at Walt Disney World; and

WHEREAS, this is the second time any Gainesville Cheerleading Team has won the Southeast Region Championship title, and the first year the Team has won the National Cheerleading Championship held on December 12, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gainesville Gator Midget Team placed first in the country in the 11-15 year old category, and was crowned National Champions. In addition, the Team was also awarded the prestigious "Spirit of Sportsmanship" Award. The "Spirit of Sportsmanship" Award is presented annually to the squad that best demonstrates and promotes sportsmanship through ethical behavior, respect toward others, responsibility and good character; and

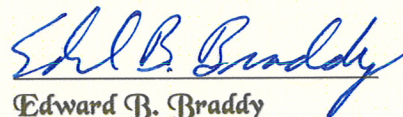
WHEREAS, the Gainesville Gator Midget Cheerleaders, along with their coaching staff and parents, consider it an honor to represent the City of Gainesville Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Department at the Southeast Regional Championships and the National Cheer and Dance Championships and to proudly promote and demonstrate sportsmanship, determination and hard work.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edward B. Braddy, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim January 15, 2015 as

## *Gator Midget Cheerleader Day*

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in recognizing the accomplishments and achievements of the Gainesville Gator Midget Cheerleading Team as the top cheerleading team in the country.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of December, A.D., 2014.

  
Edward B. Braddy  
Mayor