

City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Head Start Program is a federally-funded child development program designed to provide children of low-income families with a comprehensive program to meet their educational, emotional, social, health, and nutritional needs; and

WHEREAS, parental involvement in a child's development is an essential component of the Head Start Program of Alachua County; and

WHEREAS, the Alachua County Public School Board recognizes National Head Start Awareness Month during October, 2008; and

WHEREAS, parents and staff are invited to join the Head Start Program of Alachua County as they celebrate throughout the month with several activities; and

WHEREAS, by calling attention to the need for high-quality early childhood services for all children and families within our community/state/nation, this program hopes to improve the future of our community which depends on the quality of the early childhood experiences provided by the Head Start Program locally and nationwide to help children and families become successful in school and life.

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

National Head Start Awareness Month

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in recognizing this program that plays such an essential role in the lives of our children.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 23rd day of September, A.D., 2008.



Pegeen Hanrahan
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Mayor