

RESOLUTION NO. 050424

PASSED September 26, 2005

**A RESOLUTION FOR THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE TO
BECOME A PARTY TO THE "TRI-STATE" HAZARDOUS
MATERIALS RESPONSE MUTUAL AID TEAM TO PROVIDE
MUTUAL AID FOR LARGE-MAGNITUDE DISASTERS ACROSS
STATE BOUNDARIES.**

WHEREAS, the City of Gainesville has a positive working relationship with a number of emergency management agencies and fire departments throughout the city, county, state and region; and

WHEREAS, this Agreement is between the constituent local governments of the State of Alabama, the State of Florida, and the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, the States and the Local Parties have a shared interest in responding in a timely manner to the release of hazardous materials that may pose a public danger; and

WHEREAS, the States and the Local Parties likewise have a shared interest in seeking to ensure the timely and efficient deployment of the resources used in responding to them; and

WHEREAS, the States and the Local Parties are concerned that some hazardous materials incidents are likely to exceed the capability of any one Local Party to cope with them; and

WHEREAS, The States and the Local Parties are further concerned that the timely and efficient deployment of the resources in a State to meet a hazardous materials incident in that State may be impracticable due to geographical distance or other circumstances that may cause critical operational delays; and

WHEREAS, based on the foregoing, the States and the Local Parties have determined that it is in the best interest of all the Parties to enter into this Agreement in order to ensure the timely and efficient deployment of resources to the scene of any hazardous materials incident that may affect any one or more of them.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA:

Section 1. The City of Gainesville hereby expresses its strong and enthusiastic support to participate in the Tri-State Hazardous Materials Response Mutual

Aid Agreement to provide mutual aid where needed and to allow the nearest hazardous materials team to respond, regardless of state boundaries.

Section 2. The City of Gainesville invites all our citizens to be involved with and support this important initiative.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 16 day of September, 2005.

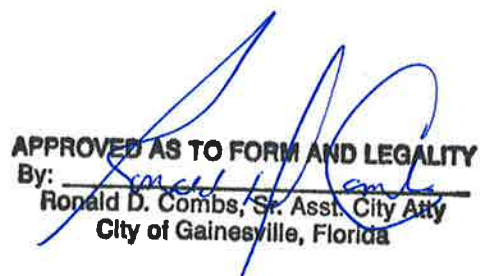


CHARLES S. CHESTNUT, IV
MAYOR-COMMISSIONER PRO-TEMPORE

ATTEST:



Kurt M. Lannon, Clerk of the Commission

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY
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