

# City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Craig Lowe  
PROCLAMATION

*WHEREAS, the City of Gainesville is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting our city; and*

*WHEREAS, fire is a serious public safety concern both locally and nationally, and homes are the locations where people are at greatest risk for fire; and*

*WHEREAS, home fires killed more than 2,600 people in the United States in 2010, according to the latest research from the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA); and*

*WHEREAS, residents who have planned and practiced a home fire escape plan are more prepared and will therefore be more likely to survive a fire; and*

*WHEREAS, Gainesville's first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and protection education; and*

*WHEREAS, the 2012 Fire Prevention Week theme, "Have Two Ways Out!" effectively serves to remind us to develop and practice a home fire escape plan during Fire Prevention Week and year-round.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Craig Lowe, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim October 7-13, 2012 as*

## **Fire Prevention Week**

*in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in practicing their home fire escape plans during Fire Prevention Week 2012, and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of Gainesville's fire and emergency services.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 28<sup>th</sup> day of August, C.E., 2012.*



*Craig Lowe*  
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Craig Lowe  
Mayor