

City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Florida Municipal Electric Association (FMEA) and the American Public Power Association (APPA) have established Lineman's Rodeos for the purpose of showcasing the knowledge, skills, and abilities of electric lineworkers in a demanding yet safe environment; and

WHEREAS, participation in these annual rodeos has promoted the sharing of knowledge and skills, accelerated professional development, and reinforced key facets of the electric utility industry: teamwork, cooperation, and mutual support, not only within the State of Florida but also on a national level; and

WHEREAS, the City's Electric Lineworkers earned first place overall in the State of Florida competition hosted by the FMEA in March 2007 in both the Journey and the Apprentice Lineworker categories by excelling in numerous events; and

WHEREAS, the City's Electric Lineworkers earned fifth place overall in the national competition hosted by the APPA in April 2007 in the Journey Worker category and earned third place overall in the Apprentice Lineworker category, again by excelling in numerous events; and

WHEREAS, the City's Electric Lineworkers and Energy Delivery personnel demonstrated that safety was of paramount importance in calendar year 2006 earning GRU an FMEA first place Safety Award.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pegeen Hanrahan, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim July 9, 2007 as

Electric Lineworker Appreciation Day

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in acknowledging the highly skilled and spirited nature of those who have chosen this difficult and demanding profession, recognizing their significant successes, and expressing our sincere appreciation to them for their dedicated service to the City and its electric customers.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 28th day of June, A.D., 2007.



Pegeen Hanrahan
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Mayor