RESOLUTION NO. <u>020348</u> PASSED September 23, 2002

A Resolution of the City of Gainesville City Commission ratifying the population of the City and the increase in the number of City Commissioners as provided in the City Charter; and providing an immediate effective date.

WHEREAS, Section 2.01(2) of the City Charter of the City of Gainesville (the "Charter") provides that at any time the population within the City reaches or exceeds 110,000 persons, as ascertained as of the effective date of any annexation, the City Commission shall adopt a resolution, which ratifies the number of persons in the City; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Charter Section 2.01(2) and (3), the number of commissioners increases from 5 to 7 members when the population of the City exceeds 110,000 persons.

WHEREAS, on September 1, 2002, the annexation of an area, commonly referred to as the Southwest Annexation, became incorporated into the city limits of the City of Gainesville as provided in City of Gainesville Ordinance No. 001912, and approved by the voters in a referendum election held on February 26, 2002, as accepted by the City Commission in Resolution No. 002446; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has received reports from Dr. Joshua Comenetz, a City consultant, and the University of Florida, Bureau of Economic and Business Research, that show that the population of the City as of September 1, 2002, exceeds 110,000 persons.

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

Section 1. The City Commission ratifies that the number of persons in the City of Gainesville, Florida, as of September 1, 2002, exceeds 110,000 persons as provided in the Charter.

Section 2. The City Commission authorizes the increase in the number of Commissioners as provided in the Charter.

Section 3. Until such time as the additional commissioners are elected and placed in office, the legislative power of the city remains vested in a commission of 5 members as provided in the Charter.

Section 4. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 23rd day of September, 2002.

Thomas D. Bussing, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Kurt Lannon

Clerk of the Commission

Marion J. Radson, City Attorney

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