

Office of Mayor Craig Lowe **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, in honor of Albert "Ray" Massey's distinguished and dedicated service to this community and his tireless effort to promote the benefits of parks and recreation services to the citizens of Gainesville, the City of Gainesville Public Recreation and Park Board officially established the Albert "Ray" Massey Citizen Volunteer Award in the year 2000 and recognizes the 2011 recipients today; and

WHEREAS, Calvin Cooper has been a volunteer coach for the City of Gainesville's Youth Baseball, Basketball and Pop Warner Football programs. Mr. Cooper has assisted in many roles in the City's youth athletic programs and is an excellent role model and mentor for the children, contributing more than 1,000 hours of service over the past four years; and

WHEREAS, Briana Ford has been a volunteer for the City of Gainesville's Pop Warner Cheerleading program, most recently serving as the President of the Cheerleading Booster Club. Volunteering more than one thousand hours of her time over the past five years, Ns. Ford's leadership and organizational skills helped raise thousands of dollars used to fund travel, meals and lodging for the cheerleading teams to participate in the state competitions; and

WHEREAS, the 2011 Albert "Ray" Massey Volunteer Award recipients truly epitomize the spirit of Mr. Massey by giving back to the community's youth by being leaders, role models and mentors to hundreds of boys and girls each year throughout the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Craig Lowe, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim March 1, 2012 as

2011 Albert "Ray" Massey Cilizen Volunteer Award Recipients Day

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in recognizing Calvin Cooper and Briana Ford and expressing our appreciation for their many hours of service and dedication to the children of Gainesville.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 17th day of January, A.D., 2012.

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Mayor