

City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Edward B. Braddy
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the importance of loving, responsive and caring adults in the lives of children is central to children's health and development; and

WHEREAS, developmental disabilities affect approximately 1 in 6 children in the United States and many children have special needs, temporarily or throughout their lives; and

WHEREAS, Florida's Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten Program needs to provide high quality standards that if addressed, would help achieve better outcomes; and

WHEREAS, more than 500,000 of Florida's youngest, most vulnerable citizens do not have health insurance; and

WHEREAS, Florida seeks to be a national leader in providing needed adult mentors to those with significant needs; and

WHEREAS, given these priorities, as Mayor, I encourage all of Gainesville citizens and those agencies dedicated to helping children to support The Children's Movement's five major initiatives of Parent Skill Building, Screening for Special Needs, Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten, Health Care and Mentoring.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edward B. Braddy, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby support

The Children's Movement of Florida

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in recognizing the important, necessary and meaningful work of The Children's Movement of Florida.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 12th day of December, A.D., 2013.



Ed B. Braddy
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Mayor