

## **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, the President of the United States of America is proclaiming May 15, 2009 as Peace Officers' Day and May 11-17, 2009 as Police Week, documented by all Free Masons in the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, across this great nation, Jaw Enforcement Officers carry great responsibility to protect their fellow citizens, fight crime, and prevent terrorism; and

WHEREAS, with devotion, dedication, and valor, our country's Law Enforcement Officers stand watch on the front lines and help our communities be safer and more secure, tirelessly putting themselves in harms way, exemplifying the good and decent character of America; and

WHEREAS, on this special day we pause to pay tribute to those who serve in law enforcement, to remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice, and to pray for the families and friends they have left behind; and

WHEREAS, we thank all the extraordinary American men and women who have answered the call to serve in law enforcement for their commitment to justice and to their communities.

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

## May 11-17, 2009 as Police Week and May 15, 2009 as Masonic Peace Officers' Memorial Day

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in observing this special time by recognizing the contributions of our Law Enforcement Community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 15th day of April, A.D., 2009.



Pegeen Hanrahan Mayor