

City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, this City of Gainesville Earth Day Tree Planting brings together three groups of volunteers, each of which represents an important aspect of the heritage that makes our community, our state, and our country great; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Florida Native Plant Society is to promote the preservation, conservation, and restoration of the native plants and native plant communities of Florida; and

WHEREAS, their annual meeting "Conservation Cures by Yards and Miles," opens this day in Gainesville, bringing many visitors to our community and furthering the intellectual and practical knowledge associated with valuing and tending the plants that naturally occur in our area; and

WHEREAS, the Paynes Prairie Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society has been an important contributor to wise environmental policies in our community through the service of its members on local advisory boards, state commissions, national committees; and

WHEREAS, the trees that are planted today in celebration of Earth Day are primarily native species, including Bluff Oak, Florida Elm, Florida Maple, Bald Cypress, Flatwoods Plum and Dogwood; and

WHEREAS, these trees will be a testimony to the cooperative efforts that make Gainesville a City of Trees.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pegeen Hanrahan, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim April 19, 2007 as

Earth Day

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join these volunteers in giving of their time and energy to make this world a better place.

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



Pegeen Hanrahan
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Mayor