City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Thomas D. Bussing

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the United Nations was founded in 1945, and the anniversary of its founding is observed each year on October 24; and

WHEREAS, one of the principal mandates of the United Nations - "To achieve international cooperation in solving problems of an economic, social, cultural, or humanitarian character" - remains as valid today as when those words were written into the Charter more than a half century ago; and

WHEREAS, the United Nations Millennium Declaration, adopted by world leaders at the 2000 Millennium Summit, established important goals that by 2015 to have reversed the spread of HTV/ATDS, malaria, tuberculosis, and other major diseases, to have reduced maternal mortality by three-quarters and the under-five child mortality by two-thirds of current rates; and

WHEREAS, the social, economic, cultural and educational programs of all nations should further international cooperation and support of the United Nations in combating infectious diseases and poverty; and

WHEREAS, the United States is a world leader in medical science and is in the vanguard of the worldwide campaign to improve global health; and

WHEREAS, if the United Nations is to continue its important work in the promotion of global health and the fight against infectious diseases, it must have the support from both the United States government and American citizens; and

WHEREAS, the United Nations Association of the United States of America (UNA-USA), in cooperation with other organizations, has declared Global Health as its theme for the 2001 United Nations Day commemorations; and

WHEREAS, Gainesville United Nations Day Chair Dr. Mildred Hill-Aubin is working with a U.N. Day Committee composed of community leaders to organize events and activities to educate citizens about the continuing need for the United Nations, and the importance of undertaking efforts on the local and international level to promote global cooperative initiatives for a healthier world under the U.N.'s umbrella.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Thomas D. Bussing, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim October 24, 2001 as

UNITED NATIONS DAY

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me participating in related United Nations Day activities.

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 October, A.D., 2001.

Thomas D. Bussing

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