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City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the citizens of Gainesville recognize the vital role that water safety education plays in preventing drowning and recreational water-related injuries; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Gainesville can be guaranteed the safest water-related recreational activities by participating in recreation and swimming activities at aquatic facilities operated by our trained professional staff; and

WHEREAS, it is vital to abide by the rules set forth by trained and certified aquatics professionals who develop water safety rules and programs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gainesville identifies effective water safety programs as the best way to prevent drowning and recreational water-related injuries; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gainesville develops and offers quality aquatic programs that are designed with the safety and well-being of participants in mind.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pegeen Hanrahan, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim May 2008 as

National Water Safety Month

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in supporting and promoting this important observance and recognizing community leaders such as the City of Gainesville Pool Visioning Committee for their involvement and support of these critical safety programs and efforts at the City of Gainesville's Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs swimming pools.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 24th day of April, A.D., 2008.

Pegeen Hanrahan Mayor