

Alachua County Board of County Commissioners

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May 21, 2010

Mayor Craig Lowe City of Gainesville PO Box 490, Station 6 Gainesville, FL 32602

Re: Homeless Facility Funding

Dear Mayor Lowe:

On behalf of the Alachua County Commission, I am writing to express our concern with the lack of clarity involving the total operating budget, transportation plans for homeless residents, the phasing of the proposed homeless facility project and the location of the facility. At this time, the County Commission has asked me to express our unanimous intent not to budget funding for the homeless facility, beyond the Clarke Butler donation, until these issues are resolved.

We welcome an opportunity to address issues of concern should the City Commission continue to plan for this facility with an expectation that the County will fund any significant portion of its capital and long-term operating cost. We would be willing to expedite a discussion of this with the City Commission prior to our August 2, 2010 joint meeting.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Moore Chestnut, Chair Alachua County Commission

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cc: Russ Blackburn, Gainesville City Manager

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