



1 partnership registry for same- and opposite-sex couples, and domestic partner benefits for city  
2 employees; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the City Commission supports H.R 1024/S.424, commonly known as the  
4 Uniting American Families Act of 2009, to allow gay and lesbian partners to access immigration  
5 benefits in an equal and fair manner, equivalent to opposite-sex partners who currently enjoy  
6 such legal rights.

7 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE**  
8 **CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA:**

9 **Section 1.** The City Commission declares its support for the passage of the H.R.  
10 1024/S.424 (Uniting American Families Act of 2009) that amends the Immigration and  
11 Nationality Act to eliminate discrimination in the immigration laws by permitting permanent  
12 partners of United States citizens and lawful permanent residents to obtain lawful permanent  
13 resident status in the same manner as spouses of citizens and lawful permanent residents and to  
14 penalize immigration fraud in connection with permanent partnerships.

15 **Section 2.** The Clerk of the Commission is hereby authorized and directed to send copies  
16 of this Resolution to the members of the Alachua County Federal Legislative Delegation.


17 **Section 3.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.  
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19 **PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2010.  
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23 CRAIG LOWE  
24 MAYOR

25 ATTEST:

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28 Kurt Lannon,  
29 Clerk of the Commission  
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APPROVED AS TO FORM  
AND LEGALITY:  
  
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Marion J. Radson, City Attorney

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