

City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Albert "Ray" Massey served the City of Gainesville with distinction as the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department from 1963 until his retirement in 1986 as the Parks Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, in honor of Mr. Massey's distinguished and dedicated service to this community and his tireless effort to promote the benefits of parks and recreation services to the citizens of Gainesville, the City of Gainesville officially established the Albert "Ray" Massey Citizen Volunteer Award in 2000; and

WHEREAS, each year the City of Gainesville Public Recreation and Parks Advisory Board recognizes those exceptional community volunteers who have made outstanding efforts to promote recreation activities throughout the City with the Albert "Ray" Massey Citizen Volunteer Award; and

WHEREAS, Jean Iansford has, for the past 2 1/2 years, spent about 150 hours each year performing one-on-one visits with the Friends Across the Ages nursing home outreach program. She has also spent over 50 volunteer hours setting up a Recreation Garden at one of the local nursing homes and started "Letters to Soldiers" which helped nursing home residents write letters to our soldiers serving in Iraq; and

WHEREAS, Jean Iansford has teamed up with another volunteer to develop a supply of musical instruments to take to nursing homes and allow residents to express themselves musically; and

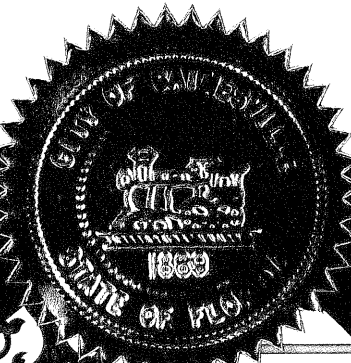
WHEREAS, Jean Iansford, the Dignity Project, Inc., Joannalyn Delacruz were nominated by the Public Recreation and Parks Advisory Board to receive the Albert "Ray" Massey Citizen Volunteer Award on November 29, 2006.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pegeen Hanrahan, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim February 26, 2007 as

Jean Iansford Day
2006 Albert "Ray" Massey Citizen Volunteer Award Recipient

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in recognizing Jean Iansford, and expressing our appreciation for her having graciously donated her time and talent and personally making a difference in the lives of many of our citizens.

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



Pegeen Hanrahan
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Mayor