

City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Professional Public Safety Telecommunicator in Alachua County plays a crucial role in the protection of life and property and delivery of public safety services; and

WHEREAS, each day hundreds of Alachua County citizens dial 9-1-1 for help in emergencies. The telecommunicators who answer these calls for help, gathering essential information, and dispatching the appropriate assistance, can often make the difference between life and death for persons in need; and

WHEREAS, these well-trained, highly dedicated, and deeply motivated individuals serve the citizens of this county twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. During extreme situations, such as hurricanes, they are unable to be with their families or protect their own personal homes and property; and

WHEREAS, these telecommunicators often do not receive the recognition due them by the citizens and agencies who depend on them and benefit from their services; and

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States has proclaimed its support and recognition to these employees and their profession; and

WHEREAS, at this time, the City of Gainesville wishes to publicly recognize the local telecommunicators who serve the citizens of Alachua County and the surrounding areas in such a professional manner.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pegeen Hanrahan, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim April 12-18, 2009 as

National Public Safety Telecommunications Week

in the City of Gainesville, and invite all our citizens to join me in honoring telecommunicators for their role in protecting property and life.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 31st day of March, A.D., 2009.



Pegeen Hanrahan
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Mayor