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**RESOLUTION NO. 180153**

**A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Gainesville, Florida, affirming participation and acceptance of FaithAction ID cards, providing for an effective date; and for other purposes.**

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Commission recognize that in today's society, some form of photographic identification is necessary to access many important services such as banking, utilities enrolling in government programs and services, etc.; and

**WHEREAS**, it is often challenging for many residents in our community to obtain government issued identification, including but not limited to, the elderly, formerly incarcerated, homeless persons, transgendered persons, persons from out of state; and

**WHEREAS**, numerous communities, both large and small, throughout the United States of America, including but not limited to, Aiken, SC, Cincinnati, OH, Greensboro, NC, Philadelphia, PA, Mercer County, NJ, Ames, Iowa, Charlottesville, Virginia, Hood River, Oregon, and West Palm Beach, FL have adopted a FaithAction ID card, which conforms to security standards, while being accessible to those who cannot acquire a government ID;

**WHEREAS**, the FaithAction ID card applicants must provide proof of identity, proof of address, and proof of date of birth as required by F.S. 877.18, in order to confirm to strict verification of identity; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Gainesville desires to encourage other government agencies, business leadership, civic groups, community institutions and residents to join in a community-wide effort to expand prosperity and inclusion for all residents.

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

**Section 1.** The ability to obtain a community identification, as a secondary form of identification, will be of assistance to homeless individuals, persons re-entering the community

1 after incarceration and those who do not have drivers' licenses, and is a benefit to the general  
2 welfare of the City and community.

3 **Section 2.** The City Commission hereby affirms that the City of Gainesville will  
4 recognize and accept the FaithAction ID cards issued as appropriate identification to access city  
5 services unless another form of identification is required by Local, State or Federal Law.

6 **Section 3.** The City Commission urges and encourages the business leadership, civic  
7 groups, other government agencies, community institutions, and residents to recognize and  
8 participate in the FaithAction ID program by recognizing the FaithAction ID card as valid  
9 identification, and by obtaining and using a FaithAction ID card for themselves, as part of a  
10 community-wide effort to expand prosperity and inclusion for all residents.

11 **Section 4.** The City Clerk is directed to provide a copy of this Resolution to all city  
12 charter officers.

13 **Section 5.** This resolution shall take effect in accordance with law. The City's acceptance  
14 of the FaithAction ID for City Services shall be effective as of **October 1, 2019.**

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16 **PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS** 15th day of August, 2019.

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Lauren Poe, Mayor

**Approved as to Form and Legality:**

  
Nicolle M. Shalley, City Attorney

ATTEST:

  
Omichele D. Gainey, Clerk of the Commission