

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, libraries are a cornerstone of Florida's educational system, providing programs for children, families, adults, and elders to enrich their understanding of the world; and

WHEREAS, libraries provide residents of Florida access to important research about health, economics, the environment, and countless other subjects to support better living conditions and to help our residents live more productive and fulfilling lives; and

WHEREAS, libraries support a competitive workforce with basic literacy programs, computers, and other resources to help people learn to find, evaluate, and use information they need for their jobs, health, and recreational needs; and

WHEREAS, the expansion of electronic networks linking libraries and their resources allows information to be more easily accessed by library users; and

WHEREAS, the Alachua County Library District serves 243,779 residents of Alachua County; and

WHEREAS, the Alachua County Library District has been a leader in providing free Library services to all residents of the State of Florida.

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

Library Appreciation Month

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in visiting the library and thanking a librarian for making this unique and wonderful institution possible.

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

