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Marian Lee, Chairperson  
Child Advocacy Center  
PO Box 13454  
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Dear Ms. Lee:

The Gainesville City Commission wishes to express a strong support for the development of a co-located Child Advocacy Center. The City for many number years has been a beneficiary of the efforts of the Child Advocacy Center to holistically address the needs of children.

The Gainesville Police Department regularly participates in the multi-disciplinary approach advocated and offered by the CAC. The City Commission is particularly impressed with the partnership between law enforcement and human service professionals working together to holistically identify and address the needs of children.

The community based approach of the Child Advocacy Center engenders a commitment from all service agencies and citizens to work serving the best needs of the child and engenders ownership from all entities involved. The existence of a co-located Child Advocacy Center in Gainesville, furthers the cause of children being healthy, safe and nurtured within the City of Gainesville.

Thank you for the Child Advocacy Center's advocacy to develop co-located programs and a facility.

Sincerely,

Ed Braddy  
Mayor

Cc: Gainesville City Commissioners  
Chief Tony Jones  
Russ Blackburn, City Manager  
Sherry Kitchens, Child Advocacy Center President/CEO