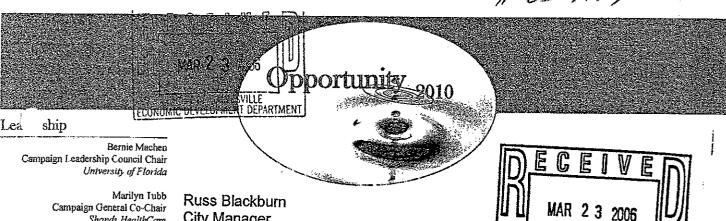
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Russ Blackburn City Manager City of Gainesville P.O. Box 490-19 Gainesville, FL 32602

Dear Russ:

Opportunity 2010 is a bold, proactive five-year community and economic development initiative created by the Council for Economic Outreach to accelerate economic growth and development in Gainesville and Alachua County This important initiative will help our region create thousands of new jobs while generating millions in new capital investments and additional payroll

We've set our goal for Opportunity 2010 at \$2.95 Million over the next five years. Each of the volunteers in this campaign has already made a substantial commitment of his time, energy and financial resources to the success of this initiative. We urge you to join us in leading this important program because in Gainesville/Alachua County economic development is truly everyone's job

We request that The City of Gainesville consider a pledge of \$50,000 per year, to Opportunity 2010 beginning in 2006 and extending through 2010 a total commitment of \$250,000 over the next five years. Your pledge will be a sound business investment in the future economic growth of the Gainesville/Alachua area.

Thank youRuss, for your leadership and for joining us in making Opportunity 2010 a success.

With warmest regards,

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