

City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, over the course of 45 years, Job Corps has successfully provided nearly 3,000,000 disadvantaged youth with critical residential, academic, and vocational services; and

WHEREAS. Job Corps builds the lives of youth, many of whom are high school dropouts, read slightly below the 8th grade reading level, and have never held a full-time job; and

WHEREAS, in an average 8 month stay at Job Corps the vast majority of youth leave with a high school diploma or equivalency, improve their literacy by more than two grade levels, and 75 percent of Job Corps graduates secure employment or enter the military; and

WHEREAS, Job Corps students and staff have contributed to their communities through millions of hours of community service, signaling the importance of giving back to the communities in which they live; and

WHEREAS, dedicated Job Corps staff invest their time and talents in the lives of students and without whom Job Corps could not fulfill its mission.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pegeen Hanrahan, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim September 23, 2009 as

Job Corps Day

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in congratulating and commending the Job Corps on 45 years of quality service and dedication in serving more than three million youth and preparing them for the evolving American workforce one future at a time.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 18th day of August, A.D., 2009.



Pegeen Hanrahan Mayor