## City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Peggen Bangahan

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Firefighters work in a dangerous profession where injuries and death are a part of the job; and

WHEREAS, there has been a nationwide increase in line-of-duty deaths for firefighters this year; and

WHEREAS, the International Association of Firefighters and the International Association of Fire Chiefs are calling for all fire departments in the nation to observe a "stand down" for firefighter safety beginning Monday, June 21, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the Gainesville Fire Rescue Department has designated June 21-23 as "stand down" days, to suspend all non-emergency activities, and to focus entirely on firefighter safety; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gainesville supports Gainesville Fire Rescue's efforts to improve employee health and safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pegeen Hanrahan, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim June 21-23, 2005 as

Stand Down for Firefighter Safety Days 2005

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in supporting Gainesville Fire Rescue's efforts to improve employee health and safety.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 17th day of June, A.D., 2005.