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Office of Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

## **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, Albert "Ray" Massey served the City of Gainesville with distinction as the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department from 1963 until his retirement in 1986 as the Parks Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, in honor of Mr. Massey's distinguished and dedicated service to this community and his tireless effort to promote the benefits of parks and recreation services to the citizens of Gainesville, the City of Gainesville officially established the Albert "Ray" Massey Citizen Volunteer Award in 2000; and

WHEREAS, each year the City of Gainesville Public Recreation and Parks Advisory Board recognizes those exceptional community volunteers who have made outstanding efforts to promote recreation activities throughout the City with the Albert "Ray" Massey Citizen Volunteer Award; and

WHEREAS, Joannalyn Delacruz has volunteered in the City's Adapted Aquatics program since the summer of 2005, and she has provided one-on-one instruction in the water with children and adults that have a wide range of physical and mental disabilities; and

WHEREAS. Joannalyn has spent 20-30 hours each week focusing on instruction, planning and assisting other volunteers and students who were new to the program; and

WHEREAS, Joannalyn Delacruz, Jean Lansford and the Dignity Project, Inc. were nominated by the Public Recreation and Parks Advisory Board to receive the Albert "Ray" Massey Citizen Volunteer Award on November 29, 2006.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pegeen Hanrahan, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim February 26, 2007 as

## Joannalyn Delacruz Day 2006 Albert Ray "Massey Citizen Volunteer Sward Recipient

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in recognizing Joannalyn Delacruz, and expressing our appreciation for her having graciously donated her time and talent and personally making a difference in the lives of many of our citizens.

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



Pegeer Hamahan Pegeen Hanrahan

Mayor