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City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, August 1-7 was designated as National Clown Week throughout the United States by a joint resolution approved by Congress on October 8, 1970 and signed by President Richard M. Nixon; and

WHEREAS, the clown profession is recognized for its commitment to make life happier by entertaining at schools, hospitals, nursing homes and generally helping to lift the spirits of all the citizens of Gainesville, especially children, the elderly and any citizen needing comfort and cheer; and

WHEREAS, the Gainesville Sunshine Clowns willingly assist at the March of Dimes Walk, Alzheimer Walk, Hospice House, Special Olympics and many other charitable organizations and events throughout our city; and

WHEREAS, these laugh makers and ambassadors of good cheer provide the much needed wholesome entertainment for all the citizens of our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pegeen Hanrahan, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim August 1-7, 2005 as

National Clown Week

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in a hearty laugh and a sincere "Thank You" to these wonderful volunteers who bring such joy to our hearts.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 25th day of July, A.D., 2005.

Pegeen Hanrahan
Mayor