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WHEREAS, the Alachua County Affordable Housing Coalition is an active affiliate of the National Homeownership Strategy and The National Partners in Homeownership, which seeks to increase the national homeownership rate to an all-time high of 70.5% by the end of the year 2005.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pegeen Hanrahan, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim May 28-June 5, 2005 as

National Homeownership Week

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 11th day of May, A.D., 2005.

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