

# City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, this City of Gainesville Earth Day Tree Planting brings together three groups of volunteers, each of which represents an important aspect of the heritage that makes our community, our state, and our country great; and

WHEREAS, Unitarian Universalists, through their seventh principle, covenant to promote and affirm "respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part"; and

WHEREAS, the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Gainesville is accredited as a Green Sanctuary because of their commitment live in ways that support a healthy environment now and in the future; and

WHEREAS, their Ministry for Earth project links personal responsibility with community action and spiritual practices that encourage their members to live generously and responsibly in tune with nature so no harm results; and

WHEREAS, the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Gainesville through its Ministry for Earth project, has accepted a national Ten Tree Challenge to provide trees for the next generation because trees slow global warming, improve air quality, provide shade, beauty, and wildlife habitat; and

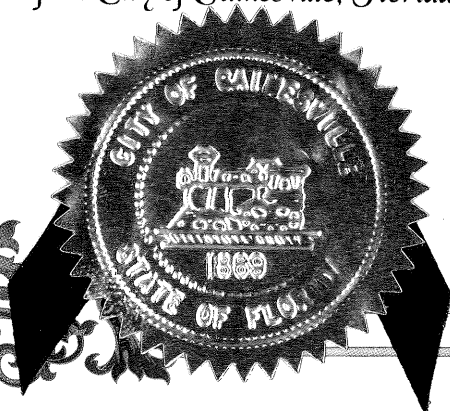
WHEREAS, by volunteering to help plant trees, the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Gainesville is setting an excellent example of citizenship by assisting government in the transformation of the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pegeen Hanrahan, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim April 19, 2007 as

## *Earth Day*

in the City of Gainesville, a day to live generously and responsibly, appreciating deeply the planet that is our home.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 7th day of April, A.D., 2007.



*Pegeen Hanrahan*  
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Mayor