

City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, fighting fires is one of the most hazardous professions, requiring physical strength, stamina, extensive training, courage and selfless concern for the welfare of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, in addition to their daily service to communities, firefighters throughout the state and across the nation have joined the Muscular Dystrophy Association for the past 45-years in the fight against neuromuscular diseases; and

WHEREAS, Florida Firefighters collected more that \$1.3 million in over 300 communities, despite four ravaging hurricanes, with their 2004 "Fill the Boot" campaign for MDA, again making firefighters MDA's largest source of funding; and

WHEREAS, the Muscular Dystrophy Association is extremely grateful Gainesville Fire-Rescue Department Firefighters assist MDA in providing medical services at local clinics, summer camp, research grants, support groups, and public education seminars at no cost to local children and families; and

WHEREAS, in honor of the efforts of Gainesville Fire-Rescue Department Firefighters, the Muscular Dystrophy Association is sponsoring Gainesville Fire-Rescue Firefighters Appreciation Week; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate for all Gainesville citizens to join the Muscular Dystrophy Association in this tribute to our firefighters.

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

Gainesville Fire-Rescue Firefighter Appreciation Month

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in commending all Gainesville Fire-Rescue Firefighters for their efforts on behalf of the Muscular Dystrophy Association

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 10th day of August, A.D., 2005.

Pegeen Hanrahan
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Mayor

