

**City of Gainesville, Florida** #002665  
Office of Mayor Thomas D. Bussing May 13, 2002

**PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, historic preservation is an effective tool for managing growth, revitalizing neighborhoods, fostering local pride and maintaining community character while enhancing livability; and

WHEREAS, historic preservation is relevant for communities across the nation, both urban and rural, and for Americans of all ages, all walks of life and all ethnic backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, it is important to celebrate the role of history in our lives and the contributions made by dedicated individuals in helping to preserve the tangible aspects of the heritage that has shaped us as a people and define our "culture"; and

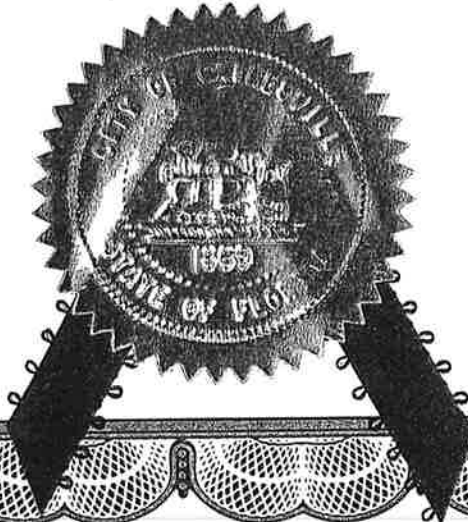
WHEREAS, "Preserving the Spirit of Place" is the theme for National Historic Preservation Week 2002, co-sponsored by the City of Gainesville and the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Thomas D. Bussing, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim May 12-18, 2002 as

*National Historic Preservation Week*

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me and their fellow citizens across the United States in recognizing and participating in this special observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 13th day of May, A.D., 2002.



*Thomas D. Bussing*  
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Mayor