

Office of Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS. Job Corps is the nation's oldest and most successful federally funded job training and education program for economically disadvantaged youth ages 16 through 24; and

WHEREAS, for 40 years, Job Corps has worked hard to ensure the program meets the changing needs of our nation's youth and employers; and

WHEREAS, through Job Corps, lives have been changed, careers have been launched, communities have benefited and character has been build in America's youth; and

WHEREAS, Job Corps places nearly 90 percent of its graduates in steady employment, military service or higher education; and

WHEREAS, Job Corps awards nearly 20,000 high school diplomas and GED certificates every year; and

WHEREAS. Job Corps staff and students nationwide participate in annual community service activities such as Groundhog Job Shadow Day, National Youth Service Day and Make a Difference Day; and

WHEREAS, Job Corps returns \$2.02 for every dollar invested in the Program; and

WHEREAS, results show the program saves money through students working more hours and paying more taxes.

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

Job Corps 40th Anniversary Year

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in congratulating and commending Job Corps on 40 years of quality service and dedication in serving more than two million youth and preparing them for the evolving American workforce one future at a time.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 14th day of March, A.D., 2005.

Peger Harrahan
Mayor