

City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Thomas D. Bussing

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, fair housing is the law in the State of Florida and the United States and is consistent with the principle of equality and justice for all; and

WHEREAS, the freedom to choose a home has been one held precious in America since its founding, and equal housing opportunity is a right guaranteed to all Americans under Title VIII of the 1968 Civil Rights Act; and

WHEREAS, the City is committed to upholding the Civil Rights of all its citizens against discrimination based on race, color, sex, national origin, handicap, marital status, familial status, or age in the sale or rental of housing in the City of Gainesville and Alachua County; and

WHEREAS, implementation of the law requires the positive commitment, involvement, and support of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the month of April is officially set aside as "Fair Housing Month" throughout the nation, and April 2002 commemorates the 34th anniversary of the Federal Fair Housing Law with the theme "Celebrating Diversity, Ensuring Equal Opportunity."

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

Fair Housing Month

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in the efforts to reaffirm fair housing opportunities for all our citizens.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 8th day of April, A.D., 2002.



Thomas D. Bussing
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Mayor