

# City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, 4-H is an organization open to all children 5-18 years of age; Florida has 241,487 youth members and 13,889 adult volunteers, with the Alachua County 4-H Program boasting 2,920 members and over 185 volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the Alachua County 4-H Program is part of the Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS) at the University of Florida, and is a program where young people learn caring, leadership, citizenship and other life skills through service projects that reach out and help the community; and

WHEREAS, the Alachua County 4-H Program has been extremely active in different community service areas such as the local Council of the Blind and in helping needy families through annual food and toy drives during the holidays; and

WHEREAS, the Alachua County 4-H Magnet Program for Operation Military Kids works directly with families of deployed military personnel and its Program has a traveling "hero's wall" to honor local military heroes who have and are serving in the military; and

WHEREAS, the Alachua County 4-H Program encourages the people of this community to become more aware of this unique program which provides opportunity for the local youth to grow and learn together and individually.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pegeen Hanrahan, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim October 1-7, 2006 as

## *National 4-H Week*

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in celebrating the Alachua County 4-H Program and to join in recognizing the unique partnership between our city, our county and our University System.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, A.D., 2006.

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Pegeen Hanrahan  
Mayor