

# City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

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## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in honor of Mr. Albert "Ray" Massey's distinguished and dedicated services to this community and his tireless effort to promote the benefits of parks and recreation services to the citizens of Gainesville, the City of Gainesville officially established the Albert "Ray" Massey Citizen Volunteer Award in 2000; and

WHEREAS, each year the City of Gainesville Public Recreation and Parks Board recognizes those exceptional community volunteers who have made outstanding efforts to promote recreation activities throughout the City with the Albert "Ray" Massey Citizens Volunteer Award; and

WHEREAS, John Rollins has volunteered significant time to the Department of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs Teen Zone after-school program, putting in over 300 hours of service this past year; and

WHEREAS, John Rollins serves as a mentor, speaker and motivator for the teens. He has created a gentleman's club where he teaches young boys how to become good, positive young men. He also created a youth program called 'URIMPT' (You Are Important) where John speaks to the youth about leadership and self-esteem; and

WHEREAS, John Rollins was nominated by the Public Recreation and Parks Advisory Board on January 16, 2008, to receive this prestigious award.

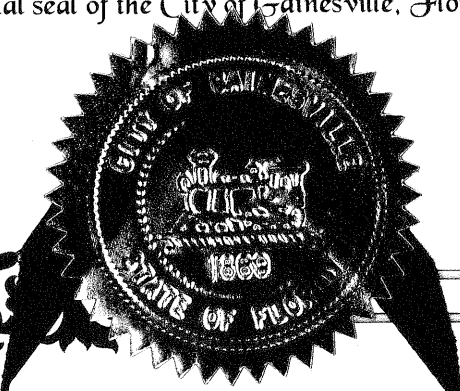
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pegeen Hanrahan, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim February 25, 2008 as

*John Rollins Day*

*2007 Albert "Ray" Massey Citizen Volunteer Award Recipient*

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in recognizing John Rollins for his contribution and expressing our appreciation for his dedication to the youth and future of the City of Gainesville.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of February, A.D., 2008.



*Pegeen Hanrahan*  
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Mayor