

City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Thomas D. Bussing

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, it is timely to bring recognition to the value and accomplishments of Special Operations Chief Jeff F. Tucker, a dedicated employee that began his tenure with the City of Gainesville in 1990 and has served faithfully for 12 years; and

WHEREAS, Jeff F. Tucker is unceasingly prepared to respond to emergencies and has maintained high-level emergency care by providing Emergency Medical Services as an ever-evolving, community-based public service that works with physicians, technicians, educators, administrators and others prepared to respond and restore citizens to their optimum level of health; and

WHEREAS, Jeff F. Tucker manages the Hazardous Materials team that develops training programs and guidelines to promote prevention, improve emergency care, and comprehensive and integrated services; and Jeff has administered programs that maintain certifications for Hazardous Materials technician and aircraft rescue firefighting, provided swat medic support to all local law enforcement agencies, provided training to all first responders in terrorism response and developed Interagency Operations guidelines for responses involving Weapons for Mass Destruction.

WHEREAS, to support these programs, Jeff F. Tucker has been awarded seven grants in the past four years from governmental entities totaling \$681,000; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission and citizens of Gainesville would like to express their appreciation to Jeff F. Tucker for his years of innovative and progressive service to our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Thomas D. Bussing, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim May 20, 2002 as

Jeff F. Tucker Day

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in recognizing him on this day and wishing him happiness and success in this endeavor.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 20th day of May A.D., 2002.



Thomas D. Bussing
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Mayor