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A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Gainesville, Florida; supporting the creation of a United States Department of Peace; providing directions to the Clerk of the Commission; and providing an immediate effective date.

WHEREAS, on September 14, 2005, House Bill 3760 was introduced in the United States House of Representatives to create a United States Department of Peace and Nonviolence; and

WHEREAS, on September 22, 2005, Senate Bill 1756 was introduced in the United States Senate to create a United States Department of Peace and Nonviolence; and

WHEREAS, numerous community groups and cities across the nation have passed resolutions endorsing the creation of a federal Department of Peace; and

WHEREAS, the proposed federal legislation could benefit the City of Gainesville by developing new programs that relate to the societal challenges of domestic violence, school violence, guns, racial or ethnic violence; and

WHEREAS, the proposed federal legislation could benefit the City of Gainesville by encouraging the development of initiatives from the community, its religious groups and its non-governmental organizations, which will cause greater community involvement thereby creating a stronger City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA;

Section 1. The City Commission of the City of Gainesville supports the creation of a United States Department of Peace.

Section 2. The City Commission of the City of Gainesville urges its congressional delegation to support a bill that would create a United States Department of Peace.

Section 3. The Clerk of the Commission is authorized and directed to send copies of this Resolution to the Representatives of the U.S. House of Representatives and the Senators of the U.S. Senate representing the State of Florida.

Section 4. This Resolution shall b	e effective immediately upon adoption.
PASSED AND ADOPTED this _	day of December, 2006.
	Pegeen Hanrahan, Mayor
ATTEST:	APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:
Kurt Lannon, Clerk of the Commission	Marion J. Radson, City Attorney