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Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan 200 East University Avenue Gainesville. FL 32601

Dear Mayor Hanrahan:

Gainesville, Florida is to be congratulated for becoming the first recognized Butterfly City in the nation. May Gainesville serve as a role model to other cities that care about the protection and promotion of natural beauty in their communities.

It has come to my attention that a local grassroots organization: Butterfly Education Project brought the concept of becoming a Butterfly City to Gainesville. I understand that it is a diverse group of people who work with students in the third through fifth grades at Caring & Sharing Charter School.

Gainesville is to be commended for becoming a Butterfly City and I certainly will look for the blue and green logo not only in Gainesville but also across America in the years to come.

With best regards. I am

Sincerely,

Cliff Stearns

United States Representative

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