

City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Craig Lowe
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Interfaith Solidarity Day celebrates the multitude of religions, including but not limited to Hindus, Christians, Muslims, Jews and Buddhists, which all brighten and enrich our beloved City of Gainesville's landscape; and

WHEREAS, by recognizing and encouraging the different religious groups residing in the City of Gainesville, there is a more active and positive role of these religious groups for continued growth and prosperity as well as encouragement for the integration of these communities into mainstream society; and

WHEREAS, religious diversity is also recognized as the fabric that forms our city and hence enhances the mutual respect, love and understanding between the followers of these religions and also enhances their image within our community; and

WHEREAS, by welcoming the contributions of individuals of various religious beliefs we become a city richer in ideas and in turn we can make greater contributions as a community to our nation and the world; and

WHEREAS, by encouraging such a positive and harmonious interaction within our religious groups, we will also be able to enhance the image of our city in the eyes of the rest of the world as a city and community that lives in peace and where love prevails.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Craig Lowe, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim September 11, 2010 as

Interfaith Solidarity Day

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in celebration of the numerous religions that are observed throughout 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 first day of September, A.D., 2010.



Craig Lowe
Craig Lowe
Mayor