

City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Craig Lowe
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the United Nations was founded in 1945, and the anniversary of the day on which the UN Charter came into force is observed each year on October 24. The United Nations promotes peace and security, development and human rights around the world and is vital now more than ever; and

WHEREAS, in September 2000, all United Nations member states, including the United States, agreed upon eight Millennium Development Goals to meet the needs of the world's poorest; and

WHEREAS, the Millennium Development Goals provide a common development strategy for the international community, allowing for improved coordination, coherence and effectiveness at all levels. The Goals address universal issues from poverty and access to education to improving healthcare and environmental sustainability and enjoy unprecedented political support because they are specific and measurable, with a deadline and indicators for monitoring progress attached to each goal; and

WHEREAS, the United States has a long tradition of leading international efforts to improve health, education and economic growth in developing countries and has shown its commitment to the Millennium Development Goals through foreign assistance, progressive trade initiatives and debt relief measures; and

WHEREAS, the United Nations Association of the United States of America (UNA-USA) in cooperation with other organizations, has declared "Engaging America in the Millennium Development Goals" as its theme for the 2010 United Nations Day commemorations; and

WHEREAS, Marjorie E. Ayers has been appointed Chair of UN Day in the City of Gainesville to work with the local UNA-USA members and community leaders to organize events and activities to educate citizens about the continuing need for the United Nations and the importance of undertaking efforts on the local and international levels to promote global cooperative initiatives toward a more healthy and sustainable world.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Craig Lowe, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim October 21, 2010 as

United Nations Day

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in participating in all activities related to UN Day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 15th day of September, A.D., 2010.



Craig Lowe
Craig Lowe
Mayor