

City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the State Preamble declares, "We, the people of the State of Florida, being grateful to Almighty God for our constitutional liberty...do ordain and establish this constitution"; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Jefferson declared, "God who gave us life, gave us liberty"; and

WHEREAS, John Adams said, "Our constitution was made only for a moral and religious people"; and

WHEREAS, Benjamin Franklin stated, "I believe the sacred writings which say that 'Except the Lord build the House, they labor in vain to build it'; and

WHEREAS, George Washington in his Farewell Address stated, "Of all the dispositions and habits which lead to political prosperity, religion, and morality are indispensable supports"; and

WHEREAS, Thanksgiving is a national holiday and a time to better understand and appreciate the history of our state and nation,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pegeen Hanrahan, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim November 23-29, 2008 as

Christian Heritage Week

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in giving thanks, each in their own way, for the many freedoms we enjoy and where our national motto is, "IN GOD WE TRUST."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this second day of October, A.D., 2008.



Pegeen Hanrahan
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Mayor