MAYOR PEGEEN HANRAHAN

INTRODUCTION: Pegeen Hanrahan is in her 12th year of elective service with the City of Gainesville, and was re-elected as Mayor in March 2007. Support for her elections has been broad and bipartisan, and has included endorsements from diverse groups such as the Sierra Club, the Human Rights Council of North Central Florida, the Gainesville Sun, the Alligator, Satellite Magazine, the Iguana, and the North Central Florida Labor Council. During her Commission service, by vote of her peers, she was elected to serve as Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem for three years. In addition to her public service, Pegeen is a registered Professional Engineer. She currently is a consultant to the Trust for Public Land in their Conservation Finance Program, and has spent five years with Terra-Com Environmental Consulting, a groundwater remediation firm where, in 2003, she was promoted to Senior Vice President. Pegeen is a native and lifelong resident of Gainesville, and is married to Tony Malone, a civil engineer with CH2MHill. Their daughter, Evyleen Mary Malone, was born in September 2005 and their son, Quinn Joseph Malone, was born March 2007.

CURRENT RESPONSIBILITIES: Pegeen presides at City Commission meetings and currently serves as the Chair of the Commission's Audit, Finance and Legislative Committee. Mayor Hanrahan is also Co-Chair of the Implementation Committee of the Gainesville/Alachua County 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness and past Chair of the Alachua County Library Governing Board. She serves on the Community Redevelopment Agency, the Gainesville/Alachua County Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization, the Mayor/County Chair Committee, the City/County Work Group, the University of Florida Community Steering Committee on Responsible Alcohol Use, the Executive Board of the Combined Communications Center, and the Alachua County League of Cities. She is Past President of the Florida League of Mayors and is a member of the Mayors Innovation Project, a nationwide network of cutting-edge mayors, and serves on the Steering Committee for the United Way's Success by Six Initiative and the Alachua County Children's Alliance. Mayor Hanrahan also is a board member of Alachua Conservation Trust, a non-profit land conservation organization, and served as its Executive Director for over three years. She is an appointee to the Government Policy Technical Working Group of the Governor's Action Team on Energy and Climate Change, serves on the board of LeRoy Collins Institute, an independent nonpartisan and non-profit organization which studies and promotes creative solutions to key private and public issues facing the people of Florida and the nation. She serves on the Board of Directors of ICLEI USA and the Board of Directors for the Florida League of Cities.

HONORS AND ASSOCIATIONS: Pegeen has completed two terms as Chair of the Alachua County Library Governing Board. She is past chair of the Gainesville/Alachua County Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization and the Gainesville Community Redevelopment Agency. She served on the Alachua County Charter Review Commission and the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council. She is a past member of the Board of the Gainesville Area Chamber of Commerce, and served on a capital campaign committee of the Council for Economic Outreach in 2001. In 1999, Pegeen was selected as an inaugural Fellow of the Environmental Leadership Program, a nationwide network of environmental advocates. She is a graduate of the 2002 Class XX of Leadership Florida, and a 1995 graduate of Leadership Gainesville. In 1997 and 2006, she was named Outstanding Female Democratic Elected Official by the Alachua County Democratic Executive Committee, and was recently named a "Woman Who Makes a Difference" by the Gateway Girl Scout Council. In 2003, Pegeen served as founding Executive Director of the Florida Conservation Alliance, the statewide affiliate of the Federation of State Conservation Voter Leagues.

A RECORD OF SERVICE AND ACHIEVEMENT: Pegeen has served on the boards of the Girl Scouts of Gateway Council, the Healthy Communities Initiative, Dance Alive, Sustainable Alachua County, and Friends of Ring Park. She is a past Vice President of Women for Wise Growth, served as co-chair of the Citizens for Equal Opportunity political action committee, and was a member of the Northeast Florida Regional Advisory Committee for the Florida Engineering Education Delivery System (FEEDS). Pegeen served as the chair of the Search Committee for the City's Charter Officer for Equal Opportunity. In 2002, she was elected by the membership of the Suwannee-St. Johns Group of the Sierra Club to its Executive Committee. In 2002, she co-hosted "Magic Community Talk," a weekly radio show on Magic 101.3 FM, an African-American station.

In 1999, Pegeen developed a successful $80,000 grant application to the USEPA Environmental Justice through Pollution Prevention Program to employ urban-area African American teenagers, and continues as a volunteer with that effort. She developed and teaches learning modules in topics such as brownfield redevelopment and stormwater management for the participants in this “Environmental Ambassadors” program. Pegeen also designed and co-wrote a successful EPA Sustainable Development Challenge Grant and a U.S. Brownfield Pilot Project Grant. Vice President Al Gore and Congresswoman Karen Thurman recognized her leadership in the latter at the White House. She has participated in obtaining numerous other grants from the Florida Communities Trust, and conceived and authored a 2001 grant of $2.88 million for acquisition of Blues Creek Ravine and Fox Pond, which were purchased by the Trust for Public Land. She has also participated in obtaining grants from the Florida Trust for Historic Preservation, the Florida Office of Greenways and Trails, the Land Trust Alliance, and several private foundations. She also developed outreach tools and a strategic plan for the Florida Local Environmental Resource Agencies (FLERA), a non-profit coalition representing city and county environmental programs. She also served as a member of the State of Florida's Construction and Demolition Waste Task Force.

Under contract with the St. Johns River Water Management District, in 1999 Pegeen developed “WaterSmart Communities,” a decision-making toolkit for elected and appointed officials. She has worked on sustainability issues for the Florida Center for Construction and Environment, and was an engineer and manager with the Alachua County Environmental Protection Department's Hazardous Materials Program from 1992 to 1997. She received her Bachelor's (1989) and Master's (1992) degrees in Environmental Engineering from the University of Florida, as well as a BA in Sociology (1989), also from UF. Pegeen was a National Merit Scholar, a Florida Graduate Scholar, a National Science Foundation Undergraduate Fellow, and attended UF on full academic scholarship. Pegeen’s graduate research in water resources focused on management of leachate and stormwater at Municipal Solid Waste Landfills. She is a member and past alumni sponsor of the Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society, Florida Alpha Chapter at the University of Florida.