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“WELCOME HOME TROOPS” SIGN TO BE ERECTED AT AIRPORT

Gainesville, FL – February 1, 2005 – A “Welcome Home” sign for returning members of the armed forces will be unveiled on Thursday, February 3th at the Gainesville Regional Airport.



The sign, which reads “To Our Troops, Welcome Home, and Thank you!” is sponsored and presented by the Altrusa International of Gainesville, Inc., a professional organization dedicated to community service.

The sign reflects a suggestion by Governor Bush that all Florida airports erect such a sign. The Altrusa International of Gainesville, Inc. initiated a request to sponsor the sign, which will stay up as long as the war continues.

The unveiling ceremony will take place at 2:30 P.M. outside the main passenger terminal across the parking booth exit, and is to be attended by representatives of the Altrusa International of Gainesville, Inc., the Gainesville-Alachua County Regional Airport Authority, Airport management, community leaders, the Alachua County Veterans Office, and by members of the local Alachua County Veterans Association.

The Gainesville Regional Airport appreciates the support of the Altrusa International of Gainesville, Inc., for providing the sign, and for its dedication to the project. The general public is invited to attend --- especially veterans --- to the Thursday unveiling ceremony.

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