GAINESVILLE HOUSING AUTHORITY

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DISABILITY VERIFICATION FORM

Public Housing Authorities are required to verify the disability of applicants claiming to be disabled to determine the applicant's eligibility for the housing and to compute rent. The resident has signed a release form below giving your permission to supply us with this information. Please fill out the form below and return it at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely: _____

The Department of Housing and Urban Development defines a disabled person in 3 ways:

- (1) A disabled person is one with an inability to engage in any substantial gainful activity because of any physical or mental impairment that is expected to result in death or has lasted or can be expected to last continuously for at least 12 months; or for a blind person at least 55 years old, inability because of blindness to engage in any substantial gainful activities comparable to those in which the person was previously engaged with some regularity and over a substantial period.
- (2) A developmentally disabled person is one with a severe chronic disability that:
 - (a) is attributable to a mental and/or physical impairment;
 - (b) as manifested before age 22;
 - (c) is likely to continue indefinitely;
 - (d) results in substantial functional limitations in three or more of the following areas: capacity for independent living, self-care, receptive and expressive language; learning, mobility, self-direction, and economic self-sufficiency AND
 - (e) requires special interdisciplinary or generic care treatment, or other services which are of extended or lifelong duration and are individually planned or coordinated.
- (3) A disabled person is also one who has a physical, emotional or mental impairment that:
 - (a) is expected to be of long-continued or indefinite duration;
 - (b) substantially impedes the person's ability to live independently;
 - (c) is such that the person's ability to live independently could be improved by more suitable housing conditions.

I, ______, hereby certify that ______ (person signing the release below should be considered disabled in accordance with definition number ______ above).

Name and Title	Date
Signature	Phone

TENANT/APPLICANT RELEASE

I, _____, hereby authorize the release of the requested information.