

City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Lauren Poe
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in 2016, an estimated 53,070 people in the United States will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer, one of the deadliest cancers and 41,780 will die from the disease; and

WHEREAS, pancreatic cancer surpassed breast cancer this year to become the third leading cause of cancer death in the United States, and it is projected to become the second leading cause by 2020; and

WHEREAS, pancreatic cancer is the only major cancer with a five-year relative survival rate in the single digits at just eight percent; and

WHEREAS, when symptoms of pancreatic cancer present themselves, it is generally in later stages, and 71 percent of pancreatic cancer patients die within the first year of their diagnosis; and

WHEREAS, approximately 3,080 deaths will occur in Florida in 2016; and

WHEREAS, pancreatic cancer is the seventh most common cause of cancer-related death in men and women across the world; and

WHEREAS, there will be an estimated 418,451 new pancreatic cancer cases diagnosed worldwide in 2016; and

WHEREAS, the good health and well-being of the residents of the City of Gainesville are enhanced as a direct result of increased awareness about pancreatic cancer and research into early detection, causes, and effective treatments.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lauren Poe, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim November 17, 2016 as

World Pancreatic Cancer Day

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in bringing awareness to this disease.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 26th day of October, A.D., 2016.



Lauren Poe
Mayor