

City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Lauren Poe
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The Florida Urban Forestry Council awards the Friends Of Our Urban Forest Lifetime Achievement Award for recognition of an individual for their career-long distinguished service and dedication to the advancement of Urban Forestry; and

WHEREAS, The Florida Urban Forestry Council and City of Gainesville Tree Advisory Board wish to recognize Meg Niederhofer as the recipient of the 2017 Friends Of Our Urban Forest Lifetime Achievement Award; and

WHEREAS, Meg Niederhofer dedicated 22 years of service to the City of Gainesville as City Arborist; and

WHEREAS, during her distinguished career Ms. Niederhofer helped to protect Gainesville's urban forest by saving high quality heritage trees and planting tens of thousands of high quality trees to enhance our urban forest; and

WHEREAS, under her leadership many noteworthy treescape projects were installed that beautified our roadways and shaped our neighborhood aesthetics and sense of community. One of those projects, the Waldo Road Greenway was recognized by the Florida Native Plant Society with an Award of Excellence for Transportation Landscape Design; and

WHEREAS, Meg Niederhofer continues to advocate for Gainesville's urban forest long after her retirement having served several terms on the City's Tree Advisory Board and now as a private citizen concerned about the urban forest.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lauren Poe, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim March 1, 2018 as

Meg Niederhofer Day

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in recognizing Meg Niederhofer for her lifelong dedication to our environment and quality of life in Gainesville.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 13th day of February, A.D., 2018.

Lauren Poe
Mayor

