

City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Lauren Poe
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, recognizing the five signs of emotional suffering plays an integral role in improving both the City of Gainesville and Alachua County's overall health status; and

WHEREAS, encouraging the people of Gainesville to pay attention to the emotional well-being of themselves and friends creates a healthier and happier community; and

WHEREAS, the emotional and physical well-being of members of the Gainesville community is an important matter in both the City of Gainesville and Alachua County; and

WHEREAS, communicating support, benefits and mental health services to Gainesville community members requires input and advocacy from government leaders, members of the community and educational institutions; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gainesville and the Mind the Gap "The time is now!" campaign created by the University of Florida Public Relations Student Society of America's Bateman National Case Study Competition Team and the University of Florida Department of Public Relations within the College of Journalism and Communications recognize the importance and value of addressing mental health in the Gainesville Community, and acknowledging its direct relationship to overall well-being.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lauren Poe, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim March 2017 as

Mind the Gap Month

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in acknowledging the equal importance of both physical and mental health so that those in need receive the support they deserve.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 21st day of March, A.D., 2017.

Lauren Poe
Mayor