

City of Gainesville, Florida
Office of Mayor Lauren Poe
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Healthy kidneys are essential to regulate the body, remove fluids, waste, toxins and drugs introduced to the body, release hormones that regulate blood pressure, make red blood cells and promote strong bones; and

WHEREAS, Diabetes, high blood pressure, cardiovascular disease, a family history of kidney disease, and being 60 years of age or older are all factors that increase the risk of developing kidney disease; and

WHEREAS, According to the National Kidney Foundation, approximately 26 million Americans have chronic kidney disease, and most do not know it; and

WHEREAS, When left untreated, chronic kidney disease and kidney damage lead to end-stage kidney disease, requiring dialysis or transplantation to sustain life; and

WHEREAS, By calling attention to the importance of education and patient self-empowerment with regard to chronic kidney disease within our community, we hope to improve the quality and availability of such information and services.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lauren Poe, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim May, 2021 as

Kidney Disease Awareness Month

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in recognizing this month by bringing awareness to kidney 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 5th day of April, A.D., 2021.



Lauren Poe
Mayor

