

City of Gainesville, Florida  
Office of Mayor Lauren Poe  
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, 146 years after J. Sterling Morton first proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees, we continue his vision with our own tree giveaway; and

WHEREAS, The National Arbor Day Foundation has certified that in 2020, Gainesville met the requirements of the "Tree City USA" program for the 37th consecutive year; and

WHEREAS, 74 shade trees have been planted in City Parks and Open Spaces in honor of this occasion; two trees for every year Gainesville has been a Tree City USA; and

WHEREAS, This is the 37th year celebration as a "Tree City USA" the City of Gainesville has planted in total 74 trees due to our passion for this honor.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lauren Poe, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim September 24, 2021 as

**Arbor Day**

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in celebrating Gainesville's beautiful tree canopy.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 17th day of June, A.D., 2021.

  
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Lauren Poe  
Mayor

