

# City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Lauren Poe  
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, emergency medical services are an essential and citizen-centric public function and a vital component of the medical care continuum; and

WHEREAS, EMS practitioners care for their patients' medical needs with professionalism and compassion during their most difficult moments; and

WHEREAS, the members of Gainesville Fire Rescue (GFR) and its Emergency Medical Service (EMS) partners save lives by responding to both basic and advanced medical care events 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, the GFR EMS partners include emergency physicians, emergency nurses, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, educators, administrators and others; and

WHEREAS, the development of mobile integrated healthcare and community paramedicine programs have increased the value of EMS in achieving the nation's overall healthcare goals of improved patient health and lowered costs; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lauren Poe, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim May 21-27, 2017 as

## *Emergency Medical Services Week*

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me and observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, A.D., 2017.

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Lauren Poe  
Mayor