

City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Lauren Poe
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Gainesville Art in Public Places Trust Public Art Award has been created to recognize those artists, art sponsors and other individuals and entities who have made significant contributions to the enhancement of the greater environment through public art; and

WHEREAS, through Florida's Art in State Buildings Program, begun in 1979, the University of Florida has acquired over 170 public artworks. The UF program is a state-mandated percent for art program that mirrors thousands of such programs across the United States and internationally; and

WHEREAS, the administration of such programs requires highly specialized skill sets and the professionals that serve on selection committees are architects, designers, engineers, artists and art historians. Extensive work is required in drawing together committees and ensuring that they function along the exact parameters that are legislatively mandated. This careful process requires professional staff and dedicated funding; and

WHEREAS, the University of Florida Provost Joseph Glover, PhD is the person at the University of Florida who makes it happen. His dedicated professionalism is the main reason UF's public art program is considered to be the premier Art in State Buildings Program for the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, in addition to this long standing program, and by working closely with UF's Dean of the College of the Arts, Lucinda Lavelli, Provost Glover has supported two other innovative arts programs, Creative Campus and Creative B. These efforts also put our community on the cutting edge of arts activities in this country; and

WHEREAS, Provost Glover has personal attributes that contribute to his support of the arts and desire for art to be integrated into the UF campus and community. He is an accomplished painter, a skilled ballroom dancer and regular attendee to performing arts functions in Gainesville, from theatre to music to dance. Simply put, he loves the arts. UF is very fortunate to have this kind leader for academic functions, and the City of Gainesville will be forever marked by his contributions.

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

Joseph Glover Day

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in recognizing him and expressing our appreciation for his overall dedication to the arts in our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 31st day of January, A.D., 2018.




Lauren Poe
Mayor