

City of Gainesville, Florida
Office of Mayor Lauren Poe
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Pharmacists are the most accessible health care providers delivering critical services to patients and contributing to the health and well-being of all people ; and

WHEREAS, Pharmacists are best positioned to be the health care professionals to help ensure patients are adherent to their medications, provide patient care that ensures optimal medication therapy outcomes; and serve as providers during public health emergencies and every day; and

WHEREAS, As front-line providers throughout the healthcare system and community during the COVID-19 pandemic, pharmacists and pharmacy personnel have ensured the public is cared for, even at the risk of exposure; and

WHEREAS, With a community pharmacy located within five miles of nearly all Americans and pharmacy's other access points to the public, pharmacists and pharmacy personnel are making an impact in controlling the spread of COVID-19 in U.S. communities through testing, treatment, and vaccination efforts; and

WHEREAS, Pharmacists are ideally suited to work collaboratively with other health care providers and help patients overcome illness and live healthier lives through chronic disease management and the fully effective use of their medicines; and

WHEREAS, Today, there are over 300,000 licensed pharmacists providing care and serving as patient advocates to ensure access to the best and safest therapy for the patients they serve; and

WHEREAS, The American Pharmacists Association, the Alachua County Association of Pharmacists and the Florida Pharmacy Association, have declared October as American Pharmacists Month.

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

American Pharmacists Month

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in acknowledging the valuable services of pharmacists to provide safe, accessible, affordable, and beneficial patient care services and products to all residents and to protect the public health of our communities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 10th day of September, A.D., 2021.



Lauren Poe
Mayor

