



Office of Mayor Edward B. Braddy PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, March is Red Cross Month, an annual proclamation that began in 1943 with President Franklin D. Roosevelt and continues 70 years later; and

WHEREAS, American Red Cross Month is a special time to recognize and thank our Everyday Heroes - those who reach out to help their neighbors when they are in need; and

WHEREAS, we would like to remember our heroes here in Gainesville. The heroes who volunteer their time, take life-saving courses and provide financial donations to help those in need. The heroes who work tirelessly to help in times of disaster and provide the comfort of a helping hand; and

WHEREAS, American Red Cross volunteers provide round-the-clock support to members of the military, veterans and their families, and teach lifesaving classes in CPR, aquatics safety and first aid; and

WHEREAS, we dedicate the month of March to all those who support the American Red Cross mission to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edward B. Braddy, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim March, 2014 as

## American Red Gross Month

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in supporting the American Red Cross and its noble humanitarian mission.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, A.D., 2014.



Edward B. Braddy

Mayor