City of Gainesville, Florida
Office of Mayor Lauren Poe
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, In honor of Albert "Ray" Massey's distinguished and dedicated service to this community and his tireless effort to promote the benefits of parks and recreation services to the citizens of Gainesville, the City of Gainesville Public Recreation and Parks Board officially established the Albert "Ray" Massey Citizen Volunteer Award in the year 2000 and recognizes the 2021 recipients today; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Merina Ingram and Ms. Shannon Regan, through their University of Florida Strong Roots Movement Club, have provided environmental education to the participants at Porters Community Center, including such activities as juicing with fresh vegetables, making sherbert with fresh fruits, and gardening in Porters Butterfly garden; and

WHEREAS, With a standard of "Connecting Today's Kids with Nature", Ms. Ingram and Ms. Regan have been a beneficial community partner in teaching our young participants how to sustain and maintain quality garden beds. They began volunteering with Summer Camp and have built lasting relationships with all of us here at Porters throughout this school year; and

WHEREAS, The positive spirit and dedication shown by Ms. Ingram and Ms. Regan to come essentially every Wednesday since last June, with fun and creative ideas to make weeding and watering fun, has been an amazing sight to see.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lauren Poe, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim March 17, 2022 as

Marina Ingram and Shannon Regan Day

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our neighbors to join me in recognizing these Albert "Ray" Massey Citizen Volunteer Award recipients and expressing our appreciation for their service, dedication and positive contributions to help bring valued recreation opportunities to Gainesville.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 14th day of March, A.D., 2022.

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Lauren Poe
Mayor