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# City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Paula M. DeLaney

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the wisdom of Noel R. Lake has been generously shared with the City of Gainesville and the University of Florida for nearly 45 years; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Chapter of the International Society of Arboriculture has recently bestowed upon Noel Lake the *Edward W. Bok Award* in recognition of career-long distinguished service and dedication to the advancement of Arboriculture; and

WHEREAS, Noel Lake has transformed the campus of the University of Florida during the 25 years he served as Campus Landscape Architect and Superintendent of Grounds; and

WHEREAS, Noel has served on the Tree Advisory Board since its inception and has helped write those parts of the Land Development Code that we know as Gainesville's "Tree Ordinance;" and

WHEREAS, through his service on the Tree Board of Appeals, Noel Lake has helped our community make many difficult decisions regarding the removal or preservation of trees that appear to staff to be hazardous and to citizens to be healthy,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Paula M. DeLaney, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim July 12, 1999 as

## NOEL LAKE DAY

in the City of Gainesville, and on behalf of the members of the City Commission, invite all our citizens to pay tribute to Mr. Lake and express their appreciation to him for his life-long efforts and dedication which have greatly contributed to Gainesville's beauty and its recognition as a "Tree City, U.S.A."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1999. A.D.



*Paula M. DeLaney*  
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Mayor