

# City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Lauren Poe  
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in the United States and in the State of Florida and in the City of Gainesville, fair housing is the law; and throughout the nation, the month of April is officially recognized as Fair Housing Month; and

WHEREAS, the principle of equality and justice for all includes the freedom to choose a home and is a right guaranteed to all Americans under Title VIII of the 1968 Civil Rights Act; and

WHEREAS, discrimination based on sexual orientation, race, color, gender, age, religion, national origin, marital status, disability or gender identity is prohibited in the City of Gainesville; and

WHEREAS, successful implementation of the law requires the positive commitment, involvement and support of each and every one of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, April 2018 marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Fair Housing Act and sends a powerful message that discrimination has no home in America, in the State of Florida or in the City of Gainesville.

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

## **Fair Housing Month**

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in our efforts to reaffirm fair housing opportunities for all residents.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D., 2018.

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**Lauren Poe**  
**Mayor**