

# City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Lauren Poe  
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Gainesville Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Department recruits and trains volunteers and interns who contribute greatly to the success of the programs and services provided by the department; and

WHEREAS, examples of volunteer jobs by groups are power washing sidewalks, painting, landscaping or doing minor park repairs by Project YouthBuild, park clean ups, removing invasive species through the Gainesville Greenway Challenge and the Great Invader Raider Rally, Florida Alternative Breaks University of Florida, Levin College of Law University of Florida and Students for Gainesville, University of Florida ; and

WHEREAS, according to the Corporation for National & Community Service, one hour of volunteer time is valued at \$22.08. Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs utilized 2,531 volunteers in 2017 who volunteered 34,497 hours, a value of \$761,694; and

WHEREAS, Gainesville Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs is committed to appreciating and recognizing the hard work contributed by our volunteers and interns as they help provide support at events, programs, on projects, and they aid in the overall success of the department; and

WHEREAS, we urge every employee to take time during this month to acknowledge volunteers and interns who serve as hard working and dedicated members of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lauren Poe, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim April 19, 2018 as

## *Volunteer Recognition Day*

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in thanking the 2,531 volunteers who supported Gainesville's Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs in 2017 .

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March, A.D., 2018.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to be "Lauren Poe", is written over a horizontal line.

Lauren Poe  
Mayor