

# City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Lauren Poe  
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, mental health is essential to everyone's overall health and well-being; and

WHEREAS, all Americans experience times of difficulty and stress in their lives; and

WHEREAS, mental illnesses are real and prevalent in our nation; and

WHEREAS, with early and effective treatment, those individuals with mental illnesses can recover and lead full, productive lives; and

WHEREAS, each business, school, government agency, healthcare provider, organization and citizen shares the burden of mental illnesses and has a responsibility to promote mental wellness and support prevention efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lauren Poe, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim May, 2016 as

## *Mental Health Month*

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me and the Mental Health Coalition of North Central Florida in promoting mental wellness and supporting prevention efforts.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of May, A.D., 2016.



  
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Lauren Poe  
Mayor