

Office of Mayor Edward B. Braddy PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Ronald G. Herget began his employment with the City of Gainesville on December 1, 1980; and

WHEREAS, upon his retirement on November 30, 2015, Ron will have faithfully served the City for 35 years as an Engineer, Engineering Director for Water and Wastewater Systems, Interim Assistant General Manager for Customer and Support Services, Interim Gas System Director, Special Projects Director, Water Distribution and Wastewater Collections Construction Director, Engineering Director for Water and Wastewater Systems (again), and for the past two years as Interim Assistant General Manager of Water and Wastewater Systems; and

WHEREAS. Ron has worked in numerous parts of GRU during his long and distinguished career, and has left permanent improvements in the areas that he served: and

WHEREAS, Ron is known as the man of many hats because of his diverse responsibilities and willingness to take on any challenge or project spanning across four different departments at GRU; and

WHEREAS, Ron has utilized his professional engineering license and his registered contractor's license to improve Water and Wastewater Systems and lead us into and through the 21st century; and

WHEREAS, Ron has led or been a key player in many major GRU undertakings including but not limited to the Administration Building construction, trunking radio system construction, securing railway coal delivery to Deerhaven, South Energy Center proposal and contract, landfill gas to energy project, the Kanapaha Water Reclamation Facility expansion, Murphree Water Treatment Plant upgrades, Eastside Operation Center site selection, Manufactured Gas Plant Remediation and Sweetwater Wetlands Park; and

WHEREAS, Ron has worked diligently to improve Water and Wastewater Systems processes and procedures to better serve our customers, protect the environment, keep our employees safe and efficiently and effectively provide clean drinking water and collect, treat and reuse wastewater; and

WHEREAS, Ron has been a dedicated mentor that has helped many others reach their potential; and

WHEREAS, Ron has consistently demonstrated service to others, a great sense of humor and the highest moral character; and

WHEREAS, his focus on family, honesty, reliability, thoughtfulness and dedication will be sorely missed by all.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edward B. Braddy, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim October 8, 2015 as

Grow G. Herget Day

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in wishing him health and happiness in the upcoming years.

IN WHINESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 22nd day of September, A.D., 2015.

Edward (j), Graddy Mayer



