

City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Lauren Poe
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Ken and Linda McGurn have played a critical role in the installation of numerous outstanding public artworks downtown and have forged partnerships with downtown businesses to visually enhance the downtown area, in turn contributing to its vitality; and

WHEREAS, the McGurns' efforts include opening up their property to public artists, funding installations and at times purchasing some of the pieces as part of a citizen-driven public art initiative; and

WHEREAS, the McGurns, though not the artists of these pieces, are responsible for exhibiting over 20 works in highly prominent downtown locations for all to enjoy and have provided greater access to the arts; and

WHEREAS, through their efforts, the McGurns have had a significant role in making downtown Gainesville a cultural destination and increasing its long-term position as an anchor for both regional economic development and improving Gainesville's quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the McGurns truly understand the importance of providing art for all and through their vision, passion and energy have exhibited what can only be described as a deep love and commitment to their community.

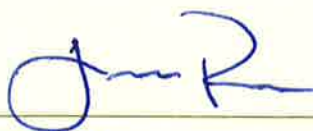
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lauren Poe, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim March 2, 2017 as

Ken and Linda McGurn Day

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in recognizing them and expressing our appreciation for their overall dedication to the arts in our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 9th day of February, A.D., 2017.




Lauren Poe
Mayor