

# City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Lauren Poe  
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Gainesville Regional Utilities, wishes to celebrate the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Florida Municipal Electric Association (FMEA); and

WHEREAS, Gainesville Regional Utilities is a member of the Florida Municipal Electric Association; and

WHEREAS, FMEA is a statewide trade association that represents the interests of Florida's 34 public power communities, including Gainesville Regional Utilities; and

WHEREAS, FMEA was originally established in 1942 as the Florida Municipal Utilities Association in response to World War II fuel shortages; and

WHEREAS, FMEA advocates for its members' interests on a wide variety of state and federal issues; and

WHEREAS, FMEA provides education and training for its members and serves as a clearinghouse for industry news and information on issues that are important to our utility, such as energy efficiency, customer service, environmental protection, economic development and safety awareness; and

WHEREAS, FMEA is a valuable asset to our utility by helping us provide our homes and businesses with reliable, efficient and cost-effective electricity that helps build a strong community; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Gainesville Regional Utilities pays tribute to the Florida Municipal Electric Association for its dedication and service to Florida's public power communities and sends them best wishes on their 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and continued success for their future.

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

## *Florida Municipal Electric Association Day*

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in celebrating public power.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, A.D., 2017.

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Lauren Poe  
Mayor