

City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Lauren Poe
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the American Legion Post 16 is the only Legion in Gainesville and is the premier facility serving veterans and their families of the local community; and

WHEREAS, the Legion is composed of programs, services and advocacy efforts that improve the lives of those who served along with their families and dependents, after discharge from the military; and

WHEREAS, the positions on national defense, homeland security, border control and military support are all part of the long-held Legion value that the key to peace and world stability is a strong will resourced defense; and

WHEREAS, the Legion is the nation's foremost authority on U.S. flag display, education and protection. The Legion celebrates Americanism through wholesome activities for young people, citizenship programs and patriotic observances; and

WHEREAS, the Legion is guided by strengthening the family unit, supporting organizations that help children in need and providing communities with well-rounded programs to provide hope and opportunity for young people facing difficult challenges.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lauren Poe, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim March 12-18, 2017 as

American Legion Week

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in recognizing the importance of the mission of American Legion Post 16 and encourage all Gainesville citizens to attend the planned events and take advantage of the opportunities being offered.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 6th day of March, A.D., 2017.

Lauren Poe
Mayor