City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Lauren Poe PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in the words of President George Bush in declaring National Doctor's Day on February 21, 1991, "medicine is a special calling and those who have chosen this vocation in order to serve their fellowman understand what tremendous responsibility it entails;" and

WHEREAS, reverence for human life and individual dignity is both the hallmark of a good physician and the key to truly beneficial advances in medicine; and

WHEREAS, physicians have enabled mankind to make significant strides in the ongoing struggle against disease; and

WHEREAS, physicians have engaged in years of study and training and endure long and unpredictable hours, as they cope with the conflicting demands of work and family life; and

WHEREAS, common to the experience of each of them, from the specialist in research to the general practitioner, are hard work, stress and sacrifice.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jauren Poe, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim March 30, 2017 as

Doctor's Day

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in recognizing and honoring the practicing physicians of Gainesville, as well as those who are now retired or no longer with us.

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