City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Lauren Poe PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the United Nations (UN) was founded in 1945 and the anniversary of the day on which the UN Charter came into force is observed each year on October 24th; and

WHEREAS, the work of the United Nations, through its many organizations and agencies, is more vital than ever in promoting international peace, security, human rights, the health of our planet, economic development and freedom for all peoples; and

WHEREAS, in 2015 the United Nations adopted its 2030 Agenda. The UN pledged to join up with all of its organizations, agencies, donor communities and all countries to leave no one behind in delivering the 17 major Sustainable Development Goals to end hunger and poverty, achieve gender equality and quality education for all, contribute to combat climate change, achieve environmental sustainability and to prevent and actively address human suffering, by preventing conflict and alleviating the plight of refugees; and

WHEREAS, the United States has a long tradition of leading international efforts to improve health, education and economic growth in developing countries through the United Nations. Polls taken in the last five years consistently show that over 80% of American voters believe that the UN is an important global forum and an organization in which the U.S. needs to maintain an active role; and

WHEREAS, the United Nations Association of the USA, Gainesville Chapter, is committed to educating and mobilizing our local communities to build a stronger network of citizens and leaders to create a more prosperous, just and sustainable world; and

WHEREAS, Gainesville Chapter, has declared "My World, Your World, Our World" as its theme for the 2017 United Nations Day commemoration; and

WHEREAS, Donna Marie Chiurazzi-Maxfield has been appointed Chair of the UN Day Committee in Gainesville to work with local UNA-USA members and community leaders to organize events and activities in celebration of UN Day and to educate citizens about the UNs work.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jauren Poe, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim October 5, 2017 as

United Nations Day

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in participating in all activities related to UNDay.

AN WHENESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 25th day of August, A.D., 2017.

Jauren Poe Mayor