

City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Lauren Poe
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the month of October has been recognized as National Arts and Humanities Month by thousands of arts and cultural organizations, communities and states across the country, as well as by the White House and Congress for over 30 years; and

WHEREAS, the arts and humanities embody much of the accumulated wisdom, intellect and imagination of humankind; and

WHEREAS, the nonprofit arts industry also strengthens our economy by generating \$135 billion in total economic activity annually, \$22.3 billion in government revenue and by supporting the full-time equivalent of 4.1 million jobs; and

WHEREAS, the arts and humanities play a unique role in the lives of our families, our communities and our country; and

WHEREAS, the arts and humanities enhance and enrich the lives of every American.

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

National Arts and Humanities Month

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me to celebrate and promote the arts and culture in our nation and to specifically encourage the greater participation by those said citizens in taking action for the arts and humanities in their towns and cities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 24th day of August, A.D., 2017.




Lauren Poe
Mayor