## City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Lauren Poe PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, DECA (Distributive Education Clubs of America) has empowered students to become leaders and entrepreneurs in marketing, finance, hospitality and management; and

WHEREAS, DECA's activities have continually evolved by using the latest technology and applying education and research to further the growth of its members; and

WHEREAS, DECA has provided students with quality business experience for the past 65 years, which has contributed to the preparation of emerging leaders and entrepreneurs around the globe; and

WHEREAS, DECA would like to be recognized for their achievements in empowering students to become leaders and entrepreneurs that eventually create an environment of growth within the city of Gainesville. The recognition of DECA Month would allow more students to be a part of making an impact on our community; and

WHEREAS, DECA is a club which prepares leaders and entrepreneurs in marketing, finance, hospitality, and management in high schools and colleges around the globe. November is DECA month which means that advisors will incorporate more DECA lessons in their classrooms; and

WHEREAS, Buchholz DECA celebrates by working on chapter projects, participating in Global Entrepreneurship Week, having local entrepreneurs come speak to all the classes, and in so many more ways.

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

## **DECA Month**

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in encouraging young people to become involved in business and marketing to prepare themselves to become future leaders.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, A.D., 2017.

Lauren Poe Mayor