## City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Lauren Poe PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, internal auditing is a vital part of promoting internal controls, strengthening organizations, fighting fraud and protecting stakeholders of both the public and private sectors; and

WHEREAS, the Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA), an international professional association with global headquarters in Take Mary, Florida, with more than 185,000 members in over 190 countries and 10 chapters in Florida with more than 3,000 members of which over 65 belong to the North Central Florida Chapter; and

WHEREAS, internal auditing helps identify and manage the organization's risks and ensure policies, procedures and controls are in place and working appropriately; and

WHEREAS, internal auditing is an increasingly sophisticated and complex activity requiring specialized knowledge, training and education; and

WHEREAS, internal auditing is an established profession, with a globally recognized code of ethics and International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing; and

WHEREAS, the IIA, the internal audit profession's most widely recognized advocate, educator and provider of standards, research, guidance and certifications, celebrates its 78th anniversary in 2019; and

WHEREAS, historically, the global internal audit profession promotes awareness about its value during the month of May each year; and

WHEREAS, the contribution of internal auditors to the success of organizations and the global economy at large deserves our recognition and commendations.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lauren Poe, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim May, 2019 as

## International Internal Audit Awareness Month

in the City of Gainesville. I hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing International Internal Audit Awareness Month, and I congratulate the IIA on its  $78^{th}$  anniversary. I invite the citizens to join me in recognizing professional internal auditors for their contribution.

AN WHINESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 8th day of April, A.D., 2019.

Lauren Poe Mayor