City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Lauren Poe PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the goals of Manufacturing Month are to celebrate the impact manufacturing has on the Greater Gainesville, increase awareness about the benefits of a manufacturing career, and attract students to future manufacturing jobs; and

WHEREAS, recognizing October 2019 as Manufacturing Month is an effective way to highlight the importance of manufacturing in our community and support those manufacturing and school programs that prepare our future workforce; and

WHEREAS, Alachua County's 256 manufacturers provide jobs for approximately 5,500 Alachua County citizens and create products ranging from body armor to medical devices; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Gainesville Chamber's Advanced Manufacturing Council, regional companies and education/workforce partners supporting manufacturing and manufacturing careers through increased collaboration and service to the areas manufacturing community; and

WHEREAS, coordination for Manufacturing Month student awareness events is led by the Chamber's Advanced Manufacturing Council to raise awareness among students about the variety of jobs available in manufacturing and inspire students to pursue areas of study such as business, design and engineering; and

WHEREAS, manufacturing brings increased economic diversity to our society by providing high-paying jobs at all skill levels and furthering our community's standard of living by focusing on technology, innovation, and production.

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

Manufacturing Month

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in recognizing this industry and it's foundational support of our regional economy.

AN WHONESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 23rd day of September, A.D., 2019.

Lauren Poe Mayor