

City of Gainesville, Florida  
Office of Mayor Lauren Poe  
**PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, pharmacy is one of the oldest health professions concerned with the health and well-being of all people; and

WHEREAS, pharmacists are specifically educated with a focus and level of expertise on medication therapy, and are ideally suited to work collaboratively with other health care providers and patients to improve medication use and outcomes by providing services through medication therapy management; and

WHEREAS, it is important to promote the profession of pharmacy as an essential health care provider; and

WHEREAS, pharmacists provide both knowledge and accessibility which are crucial to patients fully optimizing access to medications that are not self-administered such as, but not limited to immunizations; and

WHEREAS, the American Pharmacists Association and the Florida Pharmacists Association have proclaimed October as American Pharmacists Month with the theme "Your Pharmacist: improving health and increasing access".

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lauren Poe, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim October 2022 as

*American Pharmacists Month*

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our neighbors to join me and celebrate our pharmacists and to give thanks and appreciation for the important role they play every day in our health, our communities, and our lives.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, A.D., 2022.



Lauren Poe  
Mayor