

City of Gainesville, Florida
Office of Mayor Harvey L. Ward, Jr.

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Earth Day has been recognized and celebrated since 1970; and

WHEREAS, April 22, 2024, is Earth Day, and this year's theme is "Planet vs Plastics"; and

WHEREAS, some of the chemicals used to produce plastic such as bisphenol (BPA) can contribute to cancer; and

WHEREAS, 22 gallons of water is used to make one pound of plastic; and

WHEREAS, plastic is the main type of pollution in our oceans where animals consume it; and

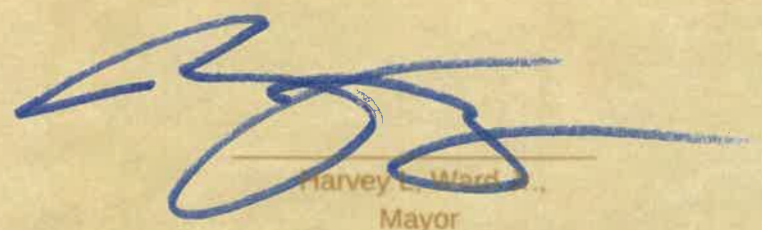
WHEREAS, we in the City of Gainesville hope our communities will reduce the use of plastic.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harvey L. Ward, Jr., by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim April 22, 2024, as

Earth Day

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our neighbors to join me and the Caring and Sharing Learning School in understanding the importance of protecting our natural resources.

IN WITNESS 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 2024.



Harvey L. Ward, Jr.
Mayor