WHEREAS, Internal auditing is a vital part of strengthening organizations and protecting stakeholders of both the public and private sectors; and

WHEREAS, Internal auditing helps identify and manage the organization's risks and ensure policies, procedures, and controls are in place and working effectively; 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 Institute of Internal Auditors is the internal audit profession's most widely recognized advocate, educator, and provider of standards, guidance, and certifications; 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; and

WHEREAS, The Institute of Internal Auditors North Central Florida Chapter has in excess of 70 members and the City of Gainesville's Office of the City Auditor has six internal auditors.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lauren Poe, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim May, 2021 as

International Internal Audit Awareness Month

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in recognizing professional internal auditors for their contribution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 19th day of April, A.D., 2021.

Lauren Poe
Mayor