## Alachua County Florida A Proclamation

## Declaring November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019 as "Colonel Charles D. Young Annual Veterans Breakfast Day" in Alachua County, Florida

Whereas,	on November 11 <sup>th</sup> of this year, we pay tribute to the service and sacrifice of the men and women who in defense of our freedom have bravely worn the uniform of the United States by celebrating Veterans Day; and
Whereas,	Veterans of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, and Coast Guard have contributed exemplary service to American society in many ways; not just during their time on active duty; and
Whereas,	the contributions of African-American veterans have been poorly presented in the history of our nation; and
Whereas,	Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc, and various community and civic organizations, churches, and military and veteran agencies, will honor African American veterans during the Annual Colonel Charles D. Young Veterans Day Breakfast at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Multipurpose Center on November 11, 2019; and
Whereas,	Colonel Young was the third African American to graduate from West Point Military Academy and earned his commission in 1889 and served in the 9th and 10th (Buffalo Soldiers) Cavalries; and Colonel Young was the first black commissioned officer to command a squadron of the 10th Cavalry; and
Whereas,	"Veterans Hour 2019" will provide veterans an opportunity to share their military experience and total services to America at this Colonel Charles D. Young Veterans Day Breakfast.
Commissioner	OTE, through the authority vested in me by the Board of County is of Alachua County, Florida, I do hereby proclaim November 11 <sup>th</sup> , nel Charles D. Young Annual Veterans Breakfast Day" in Alachua a.
Duly proclaimed	this 11 <sup>th</sup> day of November, A.D., 2019.
	BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA
	By Charles S. Chestnut, IV, Chair
ATTEST:	Charles S. Chesthut, IV, Chair
J.K. "Jess" Irby,	Esq.