

# **Alachua County Florida**

## **A Proclamation**

### **Declaring October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020 as “United Nations Day” in Alachua County, Florida**

- Whereas,** the United Nations was founded in 1945 and the anniversary of the day on which the UN Charter came into force is observed each year on October 24<sup>th</sup>; and
- Whereas,** the work of the United Nations, through its many organs and agencies, is more vital than ever in promoting international peace and security, human rights, the health of our planet, economic development, and freedom for all peoples; and
- Whereas,** the United Nations, with the adoption in 2015 of its 2030 Agenda, has pledged joint action across its organs and agencies, the donor communities and all countries so as to leave no one behind in delivering by 2030 on the 17 major Sustainable Development Goals that aim to end hunger and poverty, to achieve gender equality and quality education for all, to combat climate change and achieve environmental sustainability, and to actively address human suffering, by preventing conflict and alleviating the plight of refugees; and,
- Whereas,** the United States, through the United Nations, has a long tradition of leading international efforts to improve health, education and economic growth in developing countries; and polls taken in the last five years show that 88% of US voters believe that it is important for the U.S. to maintain an active role at the UN; and
- Whereas,** the United Nations Association of the USA, Gainesville Chapter, is committed to educating and mobilizing our local communities to create a more prosperous, just and sustainable world; and the Gainesville Chapter, has declared "Our Climate...Our Future" as its theme for the 2020 United Nations Day commemoration: and
- Whereas,** Dr. Saeed Khan is President of the UNA-USA/Gainesville Chapter and Dr. Jacob U'Mofe Gordon is Chair of the UN Day Working Group in Gainesville, Florida

**Now, therefore, through the authority vested in me by the Board of County Commissioners of Alachua County, Florida, I do hereby proclaim October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020 as “United Nations Day” in Alachua County, Florida.**

*Duly proclaimed this 22<sup>nd</sup> day September, A.D., 2020.*

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Robert Hutchinson, Chair

ATTEST:

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J.K. “Jess” Irby, Clerk