

Alachua County Florida

A Proclamation

Declaring October 2021 as “American Pharmacists Month” in Alachua County, Florida

- Whereas,** pharmacists are the most accessible health care providers delivering critical services to patients and contributing to the health and well-being of all people; and
- Whereas,** pharmacists are best positioned to be the health care professionals to help ensure patients are adherent to their medications, provide patient care that ensures optimal medication therapy outcomes; and serve as providers during public health emergencies and every day; and
- Whereas,** as front-line providers throughout the healthcare system and community during the COVID-19 pandemic pharmacists and pharmacy personnel have ensured the public is cared for, even at the risk of exposure; and
- Whereas,** with a community pharmacy located within five miles of nearly all Americans and pharmacy's other access points to the public, pharmacists and pharmacy personnel are making an impact in controlling the spread of COVID-19 in U.S. communities through testing, treatment, and vaccination efforts; and
- Whereas,** pharmacists are ideally suited to work collaboratively with other health care providers and help patients overcome illness and live healthier lives through chronic disease management and the fully effective use of their medicines; and
- Whereas,** today, there are over 300,000 licensed pharmacists providing care and serving as patient advocates for ensuring access to the best and safest therapy to the patients they serve; and
- Whereas,** the American Pharmacists Association, the Alachua County Association of Pharmacists and the Florida Pharmacy Association, have declared October as American Pharmacists Month; and
- Whereas,** we urge all our residents to acknowledge the valuable services of pharmacists to provide safe, accessible, affordable, and beneficial patient care services and products to all residents and protect the public health of our communities.

Now, therefore, through the authority vested in me by the Board of County Commissioners of the Alachua County, Florida, I do hereby proclaim October 2021, as “American Pharmacists Month” in Alachua County, Florida.

Duly proclaimed this 12th day of October, A.D., 2021.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ALACHUA COUNTY FLORIDA

By: _____
Ken Cornell, Chair

ATTEST:

J.K. “Jess” Irby, Esq.