



City of Alachua, Florida
Office of Mayor Gib Coerper

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, October 2015 is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, National Breast Cancer Awareness Month educates women about early breast cancer detection, diagnosis and treatment; and

WHEREAS, National Breast Cancer Awareness Month is dedicated to increasing public knowledge about the importance of early detection of breast cancer to ensure that the awareness message is heard; and

WHEREAS, October 16, 2015 is National Mammography Day to encourage women to make a mammography appointment as mammograms along with monthly self-examinations are the best method to detect breast cancer early when it is easier to treat;

WHEREAS, breast cancer is the leading cancer among American women of all races with a chance of developing invasive breast cancer being 1 in 8; and

WHEREAS, death rates from breast cancer have been declining, and this change is believed to be the result of earlier detection through screening, increased awareness, and improved treatment; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society recognizes that although great strides have been made in breast cancer awareness and treatment, there remains much more to be accomplished;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gib Coerper, Mayor of the City of Alachua, representing the City and the City Commission, do hereby proclaim **October 2015** as

National Breast Cancer Awareness Month and
Alachua Goes Pink! For Breast Cancer Awareness Month

We ask all employees, citizens, and businesses to join in this worthy cause to encourage early detection, give strength to those afflicted, celebrate successes, and memorialize battles lost. We fight together for the cure.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 28th day of September, 2015

ATTEST:

Gib Coerper, Mayor