

City of Alachua, Florida Office of Mayor Gib Coerper PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Pharmacists are the most accessible health care providers delivering critical services to patients and contributing to the health and well-being of people; and

WHEREAS, Pharmacists are best positioned to be the health care provider that ensures optimal medication therapy outcomes, helps to ensure patients are adherent to their medications; and serve as providers during public health emergencies; 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, pharmacists and pharmacy personnel are making an impact to control 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 for the patients they serve: and

And WHEREAS, The American Pharmacists Association, has declared October as American Pharmacists Month.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gib Coerper, Mayor of the City of Alachua, representing the City and the City Commission, do proclaim October as American Pharmacists Month, and urge all our citizens to acknowledge the valuable services of pharmacists to provide safe, affordable and beneficial pharmaceutical care services and products to all citizens.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 26th day of September, 2022.

ATTEST: