



City of Alachua, Florida

Office of Mayor Gib Coerper

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Abraham Venable I Chapter of the National Society Colonial Dames XVII (17) Century of Gainesville, FL is locally sponsoring National Colonial Heritage Month during the month of October 2022; and,

WHEREAS, National Colonial Heritage Month brings to mind the first courageous settlers who arrived in America and who determined the direction for the formation of our country; and

WHEREAS, The members of this Society, by virtue of their lineal descent from those early arrivals, feel an obligation to work for the preservation of the priceless legacy that these early arrivals left to all American citizens; and

WHEREAS, They continue to convey the true meaning of the inheritance by reminding us that our privilege to live in a free country has stemmed from "loving our country, obeying its laws, respecting its flag and defending it against all enemies"

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

COLONIAL HERITAGE MONTH

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 11th day of October, 2022, and encourage all Citizens of the City of Alachua to observe this month as a means of reinforcing the priceless legacy that we inherit with our citizenship, in order to help preserve our rich culture and heritage with deep respect for the principles upon which our great country was founded.

ATTEST:

Gib Coerper, Mayor