



# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ocala's diverse population is made up of a myriad of international communities, offering the opportunity for educational and cultural exchanges while simultaneously promoting peace and goodwill among people of different nationalities and ethnicities; and

**WHEREAS**, the international education programs is a joint initiative of the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education to prepare Americans for a global environment and to promote programs that prepares future leaders from abroad to study and exchange ideas and experiences in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the international students expose our young scholars to other countries and cultures, which helps to prepare them for success in our increasingly interconnected world; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ocala's residents benefits from having the opportunity to meet, share with, and learn from individuals whose backgrounds, ideas, perspectives, and ways of life are unique and different from their own; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ocala is proud to celebrate International Education Week and supports the internationalization and exchange efforts of College of Central Florida and welcome its international students to further their education and experience the exceptional culture and lifestyles of the people of Ocala.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Kent Guinn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Ocala, Florida, do hereby proclaim the month of November 15-19, as

## INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Ocala, Florida, to be affixed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November 2021.

Kent Guinn, Mayor  
City of Ocala

