

Alachua County Florida

A Proclamation

Declaring January 2024 as “National Radon Action Month” in Alachua County, Florida

- Whereas,* Radon is a colorless, odorless, naturally occurring, radioactive gas that threatens the health of our citizens; and
- Whereas,* radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer deaths in the U.S. and the number one cause among non-smokers; and
- Whereas,* one in fifteen homes across the U.S. has an elevated radon level; and
- Whereas,* one in four homes in Alachua County has an elevated radon level; and
- Whereas,* any home in Florida may have an elevated level of radon, even if other homes in the same neighborhood do not; and
- Whereas,* testing for radon is simple and inexpensive; and
- Whereas,* identified radon problems can be fixed; and
- Whereas,* Alachua County, the Florida Department of Health and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency are supporting efforts to encourage Americans to test their homes for radon, mitigate elevated levels of radon, and build new homes with radon-resistant materials and features.

Now, therefore, through the authority vested in me by the Board of County Commissioners of the Alachua County, Florida, I do hereby proclaim January 2024, as “National Radon Action Month” in Alachua County, Florida.

Duly proclaimed this 23rd day of January, A.D., 2024.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ALACHUA COUNTY FLORIDA

By: _____
Mary C. Alford, Chair

ATTEST:

J.K. “Jess” Irby, Esq.