

# Alachua County Florida

## A Proclamation

**Declaring February 24, 2025, through March 2, 2025, as  
“Hazardous Materials Awareness Week”  
in Alachua County, Florida**

**Whereas,** the safe use of hazardous materials is essential for the well-being of citizens, business, industries and local governments to maintain economic stability and the public health; and

**Whereas,** Alachua County recognizes the importance of protecting our community from both accidental and deliberate releases of hazardous materials; and

**Whereas,** it is essential to increase community preparedness so that both public-sector and private-sector employees know how to safely protect themselves and those for whom they are responsible during an accidental or deliberate release of hazardous materials; and

**Whereas,** Alachua County is committed to working collaboratively with local agencies and organizations to provide emergency response training for key personnel, including firefighters, emergency medical services, law enforcement, and other public safety workers.

**Whereas,** Citizens can be assured that emergency responders, emergency management, all levels of government, schools and businesses are working together to ensure that our community is as prepared as possible to protect all citizens from both accidental and deliberate releases of hazardous materials.

**Now, therefore,** through the authority vested in me by the Board of County Commissioners of Alachua County, Florida, I do hereby proclaim February 24, 2025, through March 2, 2025, as “Hazardous Materials Awareness Week” in Alachua County, Florida.

Duly proclaimed this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, A.D., 2025

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF ALACHUA COUNTY FLORIDA

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Charles S. Chestnut, IV, Chair

ATTEST:

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J.K. “Jess” Irby, Esq.