

Alachua County Florida

A Proclamation

Declaring April as “Landscape Architecture Month” in Alachua County, Florida

Whereas, *landscape architecture encompasses the analysis, planning, design, and stewardship of the natural and built environment, translating vision into action to shape places that are healthy, safe and resilient; and*

Whereas, *Wednesday, April 1, 2026, is recognized as Professional Landscape Architecture (PLA) Day, celebrating the licensed professionals whose expertise in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) is essential to the infrastructure and quality of life in Alachua County, and*

Whereas, *during Landscape Architecture Month, celebrated under the theme Landscape Architecture in Action, we recognize the profession’s tangible impact on parks, streetscapes, campuses, and public spaces across urban, suburban, and rural communities; and*

Whereas, *as the United States approaches America 250, we recognize that landscape architects have historically shaped—and continue to steward—the American landscape, creating enduring places that embody democratic values and cultural heritage, and advance opportunities for future generations; and*

Whereas, *the licensed practice of landscape architecture is a critical safeguard for public health, safety, and welfare, ensuring that outdoor environments—from therapeutic gardens and playgrounds to complex stormwater and transportation systems—are designed with technical rigor and ethical responsibility; and*

Whereas, *the economy of Alachua County is strengthened by the work of licensed landscape architects and the accredited programs at Florida International University and the University of Florida, who together foster tourism, economic development, and environmental protection.*

Now, therefore, through the authority vested in me by the Board of County Commissioners of Alachua County, Florida, I do hereby proclaim April, as “Landscape and Architecture Month” in Alachua County, Florida.

Duly proclaimed this 28th day of April, A.D., 2026

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ALACHUA COUNTY FLORIDA

By: _____
Ken Cornell, Chair

ATTEST:

J.K. “Jess” Irby, Esq., Clerk