



# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, a quality education is one of the significant foundations for the continuing success of our state, our country, and our society at large; and in the City of Ocala we strive for the betterment of all of our citizens through an increased focus on education and sharing; and

**WHEREAS**, through providing the possibility of an excellent education for all, especially children, with which to gain knowledge through rigorous study, we can create hope for a brighter, kinder, and more united and prosperous future in the lives of so many; and

**WHEREAS**, the educational system must also focus on building character by emphasizing the cultivation of universal moral and ethical values that have been the bedrock of society from the dawn of civilization, including the values known as the Seven Noahide Laws; and

**WHEREAS**, one of the leading global advocates for the advancement of education, the Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem Schneerson, of righteous memory, stressed the importance of moral and ethical education as the bedrock of humanity and the hallmark of a healthy society, and strongly urged that education be reinforced by the inculcation of strong moral values; and

**WHEREAS**, in recognition of the Rebbe's outstanding and lasting contributions toward improvements in world education, morality, and acts of charity, he was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal, and the United States Congress has established his birthdate as a national day to raise awareness and strengthen the education of our children; and

**WHEREAS**, April 12, 2022, will mark 120 years since the Rebbe's birth, and the date will be celebrated across these United States and around the globe in tribute to the Rebbe's vision, guidance, and leadership; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Kent Guinn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Ocala do hereby proclaim April 12, 2022 as

## **EDUCATION AND SHARING DAY**

in Ocala and I urge all citizens to reach out to those within your communities and work to create a better, brighter, and more hopeful future for all.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Ocala, Florida, to be affixed this 12 day of April 2022.



Kent Guinn, Mayor  
City of Ocala