

Proclamation

WHEREAS, there are currently over 800,000 Americans residing in assisted living and are more than 420,000 caregivers taking care of their needs; and

WHEREAS, the effects of aging require help from a family member or caregiver and assisted living caregivers provide the assistance they need in a safe environment allowing them to remain as independent as possible for as long as possible; and

WHEREAS, they provide a high quality of care for the elderly that will allow them to age in place and do this in a respectful and dignified manner and they dedicate their time, leaving their families to care for residents in hurricanes, pandemics, or whatever is going on around them; and

WHEREAS, not only do they provide care but they ensure that residents have days filled with joy, entertainment, socializations, spiritual needs, nutrition, friendship, and compassion; and

WHEREAS, all citizens should understand the physical and emotional needs of our seniors and appreciate the Assisted Living Health Care Associates for caring for our seniors and providing them with the best care while adding life to their final years.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kent Guinn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Ocala, Florida, do hereby proclaim September $13^{th} - 19^{th}$, 2020 as Assisted Living Week throughout Ocala, Florida.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Ocala, Florida, to be affixed this 12th day of August 2020.

Kent Guinn, Mayor City of Ocala