

# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, Law Day is, in the words of President Dwight Eisenhower, who established the first nationwide commemoration, a “day of national dedication to the principles of government under law”; and

**WHEREAS** the United States Constitution vests legislative, executive, and judicial power in Congress, a President, and one Supreme Court, respectively; and

**WHEREAS**, these three separate branches of the national government share power and each also serves as a check on the power of the others; and

**WHEREAS**, separation of powers provides a framework for freedom, but this framework is not self-executing, as we the people must continually act to ensure that our constitutional democracy endures, preserving our liberties and guaranteeing our rights; and

**WHEREAS**, promoting public understanding of the roots of our freedom are an important component in the civic education of the citizens of the United States and of the state of Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2018 Law Day theme enables us to reflect on the separation of powers as fundamental to our constitutional purpose and to consider how our governmental system is working for ourselves and our posterity;

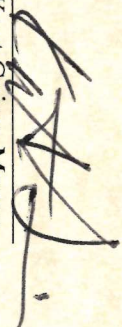
**WHEREAS**, Law Day will be commemorated by the Marion County Bar Association at its annual Law Day Luncheon held at the College of Central Florida’s Klein Conference Center on May 11, 2018.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Kent Guinn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of Ocala, Florida, do hereby proclaim that the 11<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018, be known as

“**LAW DAY**”

in Ocala, Florida and I urge all community residents, school administrators, teachers and students, business and civic leaders, legal professionals and law students to rededicate ourselves to advancing the rule of law.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Ocala, Florida, to be affixed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 2018.

  
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Kent Guinn, Mayor  
City of Ocala

