



# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Ocala, Florida, place high value on local control of community services and therefore have chosen to operate a community owned, locally controlled, not-for-profit electric utility; and

**WHEREAS**, Ocala Electric Utility provides electricity as a public service provider in a caring, yet business-like manner, and continue to provide the citizens of Ocala and Marion County with reliable energy at a competitive price; and

**WHEREAS**, Ocala Electric Utility's emphasis will always be on meeting customers' changing service requirement and needs. It is committed to exceeding the expectations of our customers who are also our family members, neighbors, and friends; and

**WHEREAS**, Ocala Electric Utility provides reliable, efficient, and cost-effective electricity; and

**WHEREAS**, Ocala Electric Utility is a valuable community asset that contributes to the well-being of local citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, Ocala Electric Utility will continue to work to bring lower-cost, safe, reliable electricity to community homes and businesses just as it has since 1898, the year when the utility was created, to serve all the citizens of Ocala; and

**WHEREAS**, Ocala Electric Utility's mission will be accomplished through our commitment to quality and outstanding service in a continually changing environment.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ben Marciano**, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Ocala, Florida, do hereby proclaim October 6 – 12, 2024 as:

## **PUBLIC POWER WEEK**

to recognize Ocala Electric Utility for its contributions to the community and recognize the benefits of public power, and I urge that our community join hands with more than 2,000 other public power systems in the United States in this celebration of public power.

**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 October 2024.

*Ben Marciano*

Ben Marciano, Mayor  
City of Ocala

