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## **Mill Lake Park Continuum wins 'Great Places in Florida' award**

**ORANGE CITY** – The Florida Chapter of the American Planning Association (APA FL) recently announced the Mill Lake Park Continuum has won the 2021 Great Places in Florida award.

The Mill Lake Park Continuum is a half-mile stretch on S. Holly Avenue between E. Blue Springs Avenue and E. Graves Avenue in the heart of the city's historic district, established in 1882. The stroll begins with the rambunctiousness of toddlers at the Oak tree laden Evelyn Durant Robinson Playground, the glide of skateboards at Colin's Dream Skate Park, the joy and laughter heard at the splash pad, the serenity of Mill Lake Park and the trails through woods or along the sidewalk, ending at a restful gazebo surrounding by monarch butterflies perching on flowers.

The Great Places Award is the APA Florida Chapter's gold standard in terms of exemplifying a true sense of place, cultural and historical interest, community involvement, and a vision for tomorrow. The three finalists, which also included Jupiter Riverwalk and Reiter Park in Longwood, were selected from a pool of nominations across the state by a panel of multidisciplinary experts.

"I want to thank everyone for voting for Orange City," says Mayor Gary Blair. "Everyone owns this award because it was won out of your love and gratitude for this spectacular place."

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