



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: Duval County is home to more than 175,000 residents aged 60 and older, according to 2016 data from the Office of Economic and Demographic Research. Seniors represent just over 19 percent of our total population; and

WHEREAS: Florida seniors serve an estimated 154 million volunteer hours annually, according to the Florida Department of Elder Affairs; and

WHEREAS: Volunteerism not only promotes the well-being of a community but for many seniors, it offers a sense of purpose and connection, which studies have shown can contribute to improved cognitive and physical health; and

WHEREAS: Seniors on a Mission is a local organization dedicated to the cause of serving our community. For 13 years, it has enriched the lives of more than 1,300 senior adults in Jacksonville by facilitating opportunities to serve in daylong, team-oriented, local service mission trips each month; and

WHEREAS: Through its weekly mission trips, Seniors on a Mission's volunteers have donated more than 110,000 hours of service, valued at \$2.4 million in savings to the more than 100 organizations they have reached; and

WHEREAS: Seniors on a Mission serves groups including churches, schools, senior housing facilities, businesses, foundations and other nonprofits; and

WHEREAS: At its annual "Friend-raiser" on October 19, Seniors on a Mission will raise awareness and funds for its mission trips, build partnerships, and honor its 2018 ambassador, Dr. Richard Glock; and

WHEREAS: Seniors on a Mission is deserving of recognition for its devotion to enriching the lives of both the senior volunteers and the citizens they serve.

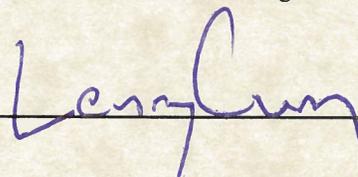
NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby recognize

SENIORS ON A MISSION

and honor the organization's contributions to our senior community and Jacksonville at large.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 19th day of October in the year Two Thousand and Eighteen


MAYOR

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA