

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: More than 115,000 men, women and children are currently on the national organ transplant waiting list, and more than 5,500 of them reside in Florida; and

WHEREAS: Every 10 minutes, a new patient is added to the list. An average of 22 people die each day awaiting organ transplants; and

WHEREAS: Organ and tissue donations are powerful gifts that can save lives. Nearly 38,000 Americans each year receive the gift of life as recipients of a life-saving organ transplant; and

WHEREAS: Registering as an organ donor is as simple as indicating one's wishes on the application for a driver's license. Those who wish to be donors should also discuss their intentions with family members; and

WHEREAS: A single donor can save or enhance the lives of as many as 75 individuals. Recipients of donated organs and tissue cherish this second chance at life; and

WHEREAS: The City of Jacksonville supports the work of Donate Life Florida, which includes an awareness event being hosted at City Hall on April 10, 2018, that encourages First Coast residents to register as potential donors.

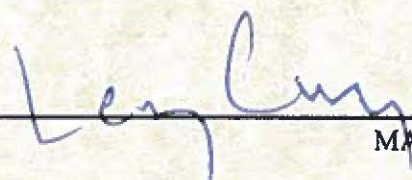
NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim April 2018 as

DONATE LIFE MONTH

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to recognize the importance of organ donation and celebrate organizations' efforts and leadership in saving lives. We also honor donors and their loved ones for helping others have a second chance at life.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 30th day of March
in the year Two Thousand 18


MAYOR

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA