

Missing persons, regardless of age or the circumstances surrounding WHEREAS:

their disappearance, are not forgotten; and

WHEREAS: Disappearances bring uncertainty and lack of closure that can be

extremely painful for families and loved ones; and

WHEREAS: The John Rowan, Jr. Foundation and the Justice Coalition of

> Jacksonville have partnered again this year to host the 8th annual Missing Adults Day in Jacksonville, in remembrance of the loved ones who have not yet been found and as a way to offer much-needed

support to the families of the missing; and

WHEREAS: The John Rowan, Jr. Foundation was founded in honor of John P.

Rowan, Jr., a Jacksonville resident, husband and father who was last

seen on February 22, 2001; and

WHEREAS: The Justice Coalition provides services and support to victims of violent

crimes, educates the community about criminal justice issues and

works to be a proactive force in the fight against crime; and

WHEREAS: Missing Adults Day reminds our community to remain vigilant in the

continued search for Jacksonville's missing, and offers support for

those families whose missing loved ones are not forgotten.

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

February 22, 2018 as

FLORIDA MISSING ADULTS DAY

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to remember those who have not yet been found, and to vow to help keep public interest active in the search for missing adults.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this |51 day of February in the year Two Thousand 18