

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: Education is a right that is celebrated among Americans and afforded to all children in our country. Each child deserves access to the highest-quality education, be it through public, charter, private or homeschooling; and

WHEREAS: Jacksonville recognizes the important role that it plays in preparing all children to become successful adults. Education is the most vital component of this commitment to our future, which will contribute to the economic vitality and cultural vibrancy of our city for years to come; and

WHEREAS: Jacksonville is fortunate to have many high-quality educational opportunities available to children and families, including neighborhood public schools, nationally recognized magnet programs, specialized career academies, high school acceleration programs, charter schools, and private schools; and

WHEREAS: Our local schools and learning environments have many talented and dedicated educators committed to quality teaching and learning; and

WHEREAS: National School Choice Week is an opportunity for millions of American students, parents and communities to recognize the need for high-quality educational options for all children.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim the week of January 21 - 27, 2018 as

SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to support educational opportunities that meet the needs of our children and their parents.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this *22nd* day of *December*
in the year Two Thousand *Seventeen*

Lenny Curry

MAYOR

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA