

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS:** The Women's Army Corps (WAC) Mothers Association was founded during World War II to help men and women serving in hospitals and USOs by selling bonds, mending clothes, and distributing comfort packages to service members; and

**WHEREAS:** In 1947, the Women's Army Corps Veterans' Association (WACVA) was founded with chapters from Chicago, Pittsburgh, Columbus, Milwaukee and Cleveland; and

**WHEREAS:** Today, the national organization has grown to more than 3,500 active members and represents thousands of American women who loyally served their county as a U.S. Army soldier in World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Grenada, Panama, the Persian Gulf, Bosnia, Iraq, and Afghanistan; and

**WHEREAS:** The Women's Army Corps Veterans' Association – Army Women United, Chapter 56 of Jacksonville has been a part of the First Coast's vibrant military and veteran community since May 14, 1969 and celebrates its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2019; and

**WHEREAS:** Chapter 56 is dedicated to serving our community, continues to strongly support the VA Hospital and local military- and veteran-serving organizations through volunteerism and community service, and is an active participant in parades, ceremonies, and other events recognizing the service and sacrifice of U.S. Armed Forces service members.

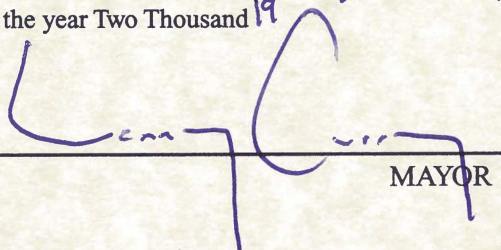
**NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY,** by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby recognize the

**50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE  
WOMEN'S ARMY CORPS VETERANS'  
ASSOCIATION – ARMY WOMEN UNITED,  
CHAPTER 56**

and thank them for their continued service and dedication to Jacksonville's military and veteran community.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April  
in the year Two Thousand 19

  
MAYOR

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA