



# PROCLAMATION

ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE.

**WHEREAS:** The Filipino-American community is the second largest Asian-American group in the United States, with a population estimated at four million; and

**WHEREAS:** Filipinos first reached North America in the 16th century and the first Filipino settlements on the continent were established in 1763. We recognize the many contributions Filipinos have made as a partner of the United States, including fighting wars alongside Americans and playing a role in the American labor movement; and

**WHEREAS:** Jacksonville is considered the Filipino-American capital of Florida and Filipino-American heritage contributes to the character of our vibrant city; and

**WHEREAS:** The celebration of Filipino-American Heritage Month provides an opportunity to promote the study of Filipino-American history, culture, and their significant contributions in the areas of art, society, politics, economics, education, technology, religion, and more.

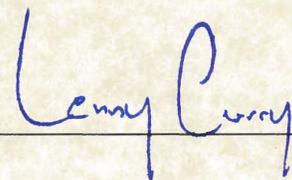
**NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY,** by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim October 2019 as

## **FILIPINO-AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH**

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to commemorate the contributions of Filipino-Americans to the history and heritage of our city.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September  
in the year Two Thousand Nineteen

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lenny Curry".

MAYOR

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA