



# PROCLAMATION

ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE.

**WHEREAS:** Pharmacy is one of the oldest medical practices, dedicated to the health and well-being of all people; and

**WHEREAS:** The 300,000 licensed pharmacists in the United States work to ensure the safe and effective use of all medications. Pharmacists provide a cost-effective alternative to more expensive medical procedures and are a major force in moderating overall healthcare costs; and

**WHEREAS:** Due to extensive education and training combined with expertise and knowledge about drugs and medication therapies, pharmacists are ideally suited to work with patients and their healthcare providers to improve medication use and outcomes; and

**WHEREAS:** Patients rely on pharmacists to provide expertise, knowledge, and accessibility – all vital components in improving public health; and

**WHEREAS:** Pharmacists are best positioned to help patients adhere to their medications and provide patient care services to ensure optimal medication therapy outcomes; and

**WHEREAS:** The American Pharmacist Association, Academy of Student Pharmacists, and Duval County Pharmacy Association join each year to recognize October as American Pharmacists Month. Through sharing the message “Easy to Reach, and Ready to Help” the observance encourages patients to work collaboratively with their pharmacists to benefit personal wellness.

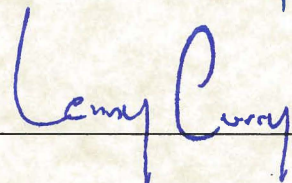
**NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY,** by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim October 2020 as

## PHARMACISTS MONTH

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to recognize the valuable services of pharmacists who provide safe, affordable, and beneficial pharmaceutical care services and products to all.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 28<sup>th</sup> day of September  
in the year Two Thousand Twenty



MAYOR

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA