



PROCLAMATION

ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE.

WHEREAS: Each year, our country comes together to celebrate the passing of the Fair Housing Act, which was enacted to eliminate housing discrimination and create equal opportunity in every community regardless of color, religion, race, sex, familial status, disabilities, or national origin; and

WHEREAS: Fair housing means that every community can be a place of opportunity where citizens can live, work, and play in a neighborhood that is inclusive, growing, diverse, and accessible; and

WHEREAS: The Jacksonville Human Rights Commission, in partnership with the U. S. Department of Housing & Urban Development, is committed to affirmatively furthering fair housing by ensuring the protection of fair housing rights and opportunities for all people in Duval County. These efforts are supported by dedicated local partners, including Jacksonville Area Legal Aid, Inc. (JALA) and the Jacksonville Housing Authority (JHA); and

WHEREAS: The City of Jacksonville honors and recognizes the Jacksonville Human Rights Commission for its enforcement of the City's Fair Housing Ordinance and its community outreach efforts to inform citizens of their rights under the law through programs like the Fair Housing Symposium; and

WHEREAS: This year's theme, "*Fair Housing: Safe, Accessible & Free of Harassment*," intends to educate individuals on their right to safe and accessible housing, free of unlawful harassment or discrimination, which creates stronger, more inclusive communities and promotes fair housing for all.

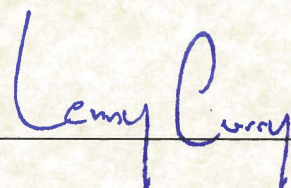
NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim April 2021 as

FAIR HOUSING MONTH

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to recognize the importance of the City of Jacksonville's Fair Housing Ordinance and its vital role in the growth and strength of our community.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 25th day of Feb.
in the year Two Thousand 21



MAYOR

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA