



# PROCLAMATION

ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE.

**WHEREAS:** San Marco Books and More is a locally owned independent bookstore located in the heart of the San Marco neighborhood; and

**WHEREAS:** This year, San Marco Books and More, often called “The San Marco Bookstore”, is celebrating 50 years of service to the San Marco neighborhood and greater Jacksonville community; and

**WHEREAS:** During the COVID-19 Pandemic, the San Marco Bookstore adapted their business to provide a fully functioning electronic store. They offered shipping, curbside pickup, and local deliveries to their neighbors. At a time when many found themselves with extra time on their hands, the San Marco Bookstore stepped up to fill that need; and

**WHEREAS:** Local businesses are the backbone of a community. The San Marco Bookstore has partnered heavily with local organizations including the Jacksonville Symphony, Jacksonville Public Library, Museum of Science and History (MOSH), Jewish Community Alliance, the Duval County Public School system, and the St. Augustine Diocese; and

**WHEREAS:** Community partnerships drive economic development, foster arts and culture, and support the youth in our community. San Marco Books and More has remained committed to giving back. Their owners have served both as President of the San Marco Merchant’s Association and as President of the San Marco Preservation Society; and

**WHEREAS:** We celebrate the last 50 years of service, dedication, and community fostered by local businesses like San Marco Books and More.

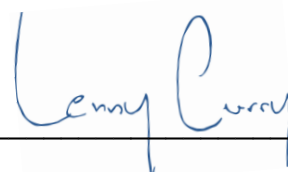
**NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY,** by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022 as

## **THE 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF SAN MARCO BOOKS AND MORE**

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to recognize the importance of local, independent bookstores in boosting the economy and supporting their communities.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Two

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

MAYOR