



PROCLAMATION

ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE.

WHEREAS: Jacksonville is proud to be a hub for healthcare innovation and is fortunate to be home to multiple hospitals capable of performing organ transplant procedures; and

WHEREAS: More than 100,000 individuals in our nation are currently waiting for a lifesaving organ transplant. Of these individuals, 60% are identified as African American, Asian or Pacific Islander, Hispanic or Latino, Native American, or multiracial; however, only 30% of donors are representative of such groups; and

WHEREAS: The National Organ, Eye and Tissue Donation Multicultural Action Group (NMAG) works to save and improve the quality of life of diverse communities by fostering a positive culture for organ and tissue donations. They work to reduce stigma and educate communities on the need for organ and tissue donations; and

WHEREAS: Every year, 7,000 deaths occur in the U.S. because organs are not donated in time. Donating organs and tissue is a lifesaving act that any individual can register for.

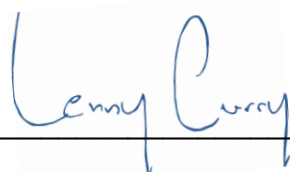
NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim August 2022 as

NATIONAL MINORITY DONOR AWARENESS MONTH

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to consider organ, eye, and tissue donation and engage in healthy habits to decrease the need for transplantation.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 28th Day of July in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Two


MAYOR