



PROCLAMATION

ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE.

WHEREAS: WJXT Channel 4, News4Jax, is an independent television channel that has been a staple of Jacksonville’s media landscape since 1949; and

WHEREAS: News4Jax is made up of a dedicated team of exceptional journalists, meteorologists, editors, anchors, and producers who ensure Jacksonville’s citizens are informed on the day’s news; and

WHEREAS: Since 1992, Mary Baer and John Gaughan have graced Jacksonville’s TV’s, engaging with citizens and telling their stories; and

WHEREAS: Mary Baer came to News4Jax from Columbus, Ohio. Over her 30-year career at News4Jax, Mary served as a news reporter and anchor, joining one of the longest-running anchor teams in the country; and

WHEREAS: John Gaughan joined News4Jax from WFTV in Orlando, Florida in 1992. In 2009, he became News4Jax’s Chief Meteorologist, leading the news organization through some of the most severe hurricanes during the busiest period of tropical weather in Jacksonville’s 150 years of record keeping; and

WHEREAS: Both Mary and John have spent the last three decades connecting and serving the Jacksonville community. Through storytelling, informing the public, tracking the tropics, and everything in between, John and Mary have had, and will continue to have, a lasting impact on Jacksonville.

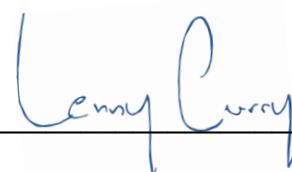
NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim May 31, 2023 as

MARY AND JOHN DAY

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to celebrate the legacy and accomplishments of New4Jax’s Mary Baer and John Gaughan.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 15th Day of May in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.


MAYOR

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA