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WHEREAS: The economic well-being of our city, state and nation is significantly

impacted by sound maritime and transportation systems; and

The maritime and transportation policies set forth by state and federal WHEREAS:

regulatory bodies help provide our nation with a more efficient

transportation network; and

WHEREAS: Congress first recognized National Maritime Day in 1933, marking the

> 114th anniversary of the first trans-oceanic voyage of the Savannah, an American steamship, which set sail from the United States to England

on May 22, 1819; and

WHEREAS: In the centuries since, various transportation manufacturers, agencies

> and authorities have responded to the public's increasing need for customized, flexible, low-cost and efficient transportation services to

meet evolving business needs; and

WHEREAS: The U.S. military and national security also depend on the capacity of

the maritime and transportation industries to move personnel and

materials in times of peace and conflict; and

The approximately 66,000 men and women in Florida who constitute WHEREAS:

the workforce of the maritime transportation industry contribute greatly to the support of citizens in areas throughout our nation,

including Jacksonville, a critical port city on the east coast.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor

of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim May 22, 2023 as

MARITIME DAY

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to join me in commending the efforts of those involved in meeting the transportation needs of our city, state and nation, and in recognizing the integral role transportation plays in the lives of citizens and of our nation.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 13th Day of April in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.