

WHEREAS: The federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program is an initiative

> that provides resources to benefit low- and moderate-income people or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums and blight. With funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the City of Jacksonville's Housing and Community Development Division is able to attend to such needs

locally; and

WHEREAS: National Community Development Week is a week-long campaign emphasizing

> both local and national contributions to the CDBG program. During this week, local governments showcase projects and services made possible by CDBG

support; and

National Community Development Week provides the opportunity to inform local WHEREAS:

residents and national decision-makers about the significant role CDBG and other

federal grant programs play in helping communities thrive and survive; and

WHEREAS: Since 1975, the City has utilized \$400 million in CDBG funds to develop and

implement a wide range of programs directed toward neighborhood revitalization, economic development and improving community services; and

WHEREAS: In fiscal year 2017/2018, CDBG funds, in combination with other public and

private funding sources, provided funds for housing units, businesses served through the Micro-Enterprise Assistance Program, public facility improvements to senior centers, youth centers, neighborhood facilities, parks and recreation

facilities, flood drainage systems and street and sidewalk improvements; and

WHEREAS: CDBG funds also provided assistance to 94,606 residents through public services

to include senior services, services for disabled persons, employment services,

and other health services.

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

Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim April 22 - 26, 2019 as

## **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WEEK**

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to recognize the important contributions made locally through the Community Development Block Grant program.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 22 day of April

in the year Two Thousand

MAYOR

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA