

WHEREAS: The citizens and communities of Jacksonville benefit greatly from

quality education offerings. Summer learning programs are valuable resources and contribute to the continued academic achievement of

our youth; and

WHEREAS: Successful summer programs combine engaging lessons and enriching

experiences to help children stay on track for the academic challenges and opportunities ahead, ultimately preparing them to be productive

and skilled members of the workforce; and

WHEREAS: In the same way that afterschool programs are now widely recognized

as vitally important to academic achievement in children, summer learning programs prevent learning loss during the summer months and are an equally valuable part of the overall educational experience

for young people; and

WHEREAS: Jacksonville youth are fortunate to have access to a number of high-

quality summer camps throughout our city, through leadership efforts and resources from the Kids Hope Alliance and other organizations,

including the Police Athletic League of Jacksonville (JaxPAL); and

WHEREAS: The City of Jacksonville joins the nation in recognizing the importance

of summer learning programs, and celebrating the positive, lifelong impact created by quality educational opportunities for children and

families in our communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim July 12, 2018 as

SUMMER LEARNING DAY

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to join me in championing year-round learning opportunities for the children of Jacksonville.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 11th day of July in the year Two Thousand 18

MAYOR