

WHEREAS: Missing persons, regardless of age or circumstances surrounding their

disappearance, are not forgotten; and

WHEREAS: Disappearances bring uncertainty and lack of closure that can be

extremely painful for families and loved ones; and

WHEREAS: The John Rowan, Jr. Foundation and the Justice Coalition of

Jacksonville have partnered again this year to host the 9th annual Missing Adults Day in Jacksonville, in remembrance of the loved ones who have not yet been found and to offer much-needed support to the

families of the missing; and

WHEREAS: The John Rowan, Jr. Foundation was founded in honor of John P.

Rowan, Jr., a Jacksonville resident, husband and father who was last

seen on February 23, 2001; and

WHEREAS: The Justice Coalition provides services and support to victims of violent

crimes, educates the community about criminal justice offerings and

works to be a proactive force in the fight against crime; and

WHEREAS: Missing Adults Day reminds communities to remain vigilant in the

continued search for Jacksonville's missing, and offers support for

those families whose missing loved ones are not forgotten.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim February 22, 2019 as

FLORIDA MISSING ADULTS DAY

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to remember those who have not yet been found, and to commit to maintaining heightened awareness of missing adults.

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IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 15th day of February in the year Two Thousand 19

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