



# PROCLAMATION

ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE.

**WHEREAS:** Childhood cancer affects children of all ages and is the leading cause of death by disease in children with more than 10,000 children diagnosed each year; and

**WHEREAS:** Nearly 300 children on the First Coast are currently undergoing treatment for cancer, and another 115 local children will be diagnosed this year; and

**WHEREAS:** Treatment of cancerous diseases are invasive, expensive, and often experimental, taking not only a physical toll on patients, but also causing financial and emotional hardships for their families; and

**WHEREAS:** The Home Team Initiative that comprises Nemours Children's Specialty Care, Wolfson Children's Hospital, UF Health Proton Therapy, Tom Coughlin Jay Fund, and Child Cancer Fund provides care, treatment, and services to local children with pediatric cancer in our community; and

**WHEREAS:** The City of Jacksonville recognizes and celebrates the many local organizations dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for children with cancer and their families; and

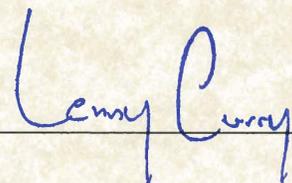
**WHEREAS:** Each September we remember those who lost their lives to cancer far too young and honor the courageous children who bring unwavering strength and optimism to their fight against cancer every single day.

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

## CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to raise awareness of childhood cancer and the support efforts being made in our community to assist those fighting this unexpected battle.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of August  
in the year Two Thousand Nineteen



MAYOR

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA