

## PROCLAMATION

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WHEREAS:

Hemophilia is a rare disorder in which an individual's blood does not clot normally due to lack of sufficient blood-clotting proteins (clotting factors); and

WHEREAS:

If you have hemophilia, you may bleed for a longer time period after an injury than you typically would if your blood clotted normally causing weakness of the voluntary muscles; and

WHEREAS:

Symptoms of hemophilia may include, but are not limited to, unexplained and excessive bleeding, large or deep bruises, pain in joints, and nosebleeds without a known cause; and

WHEREAS:

The Bleeding Disorders Coalition of Florida (BDCF) is an advocacy organization founded by the Hemophilia Foundation of Greater Florida and the Florida Hemophilia Association to be the voice of the Florida bleeding disorders community; and

WHEREAS:

The Bleeding Disorders Coalition of Florida serves the bleeding disorders community to improve their quality of life by offering programs and services, such as a medically supervised camp, scholarships, advocacy efforts, emergency financial assistance, educational programs, and more to support healthier and more independent lives for those living with the disorder.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY,** by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim March 2021 as

## HEMOPHILIA AND BLEEDING DISORDERS AWARENESS MONTH

in Jacksonville and urge all citizens to take a moment to reflect upon and educate themselves on this important issue and advocate for those who live with this disorder each day.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 16th day of March in the year Two Thousand '21

MAYOR