



PROCLAMATION

ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE.

WHEREAS: The Republic of China (Taiwan) observes the 111th National Day on October 10th, 2022; and

WHEREAS: The U.S. and Taiwan have maintained close friendship based on the 1979 Taiwan Relations Act (Public Law 96-8 96th Congress), which celebrates its 43rd anniversary in 2022; and

WHEREAS: Taiwan is the U.S.' 8th largest trading partner as well as the 11th largest export market and 8th largest import market, with two-way trade totaling \$114 billion in 2021. Taiwan is also Florida's 7th largest market in Asia as of 2021; and

WHEREAS: The U.S. and Taiwan will conduct formal negotiations under the U.S.-Taiwan Initiative on 21st-Century Trade introduced on June 1st, 2022 to bolster economic and trade relations between the two nations as well as to foster a more resilient, just and flourishing economy for the 21st century; and

WHEREAS: A bi-partisan group of U.S. Senators and U.S. Congress members joined together in the signing of letters in support of Taiwan joining the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework (IPEF) in 2022. Taiwan's inclusion in the IPEF would further promote freedom and openness in the Indo-Pacific as well as increase the framework's effectiveness in determining the trade and economic structure of the region and worldwide; and

WHEREAS: Taiwan's meaningful participation in numerous international organizations, including the International Civil Aviation Organization, the World Health Organization, the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, and the International Criminal Police Organization would benefit regional development, peace, and prosperity; and

WHEREAS: Since the establishment of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Miami in 1988, Taiwan has developed sister-state/sister-city relations with Florida. We support Taiwan's mission of economic liberalization, democratization, and significant international participation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim October 10, 2022 as

111TH NATIONAL DAY OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA (TAIWAN)

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to recognize the achievements and history of the Republic of China (Taiwan).



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 5th Day of Oct. in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Two



MAYOR

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA