



PROCLAMATION

ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE.

WHEREAS: Due to physical and financial barriers, thousands of Northeast Florida residents lack access to legal assistance. Legal assistance can be critical to an individual's safety, independence, and success; and

WHEREAS: In an effort to address the issue of accessibility, the Florida Bar requires that members provide and support pro bono legal services in the community; and

WHEREAS: The Jacksonville Bar Association and the Fourth Circuit Pro Bono Committee work to connect citizens with pro bono legal assistance throughout the community. They recognize and celebrate the attorneys who assist underserved and low-income residents; and

WHEREAS: Members of the Northeast Florida legal community donate thousands of hours in free legal services and make generous financial contributions to legal aid organizations in our city, but there is still a large unmet need for legal assistance for vulnerable citizens; and

WHEREAS: Celebrate Pro Bono week is an opportunity to highlight the difference lawyers make in their communities, to recruit and train more pro bono volunteers, and to acknowledge the partnerships that form the basis for many successful pro bono efforts; and

WHEREAS: This year's theme of the celebration is "Law in Everyday Life." The American Bar Association encourages local and state Bars to raise awareness of how law affects all aspects of life for low-income or other marginalized individuals; and

WHEREAS: Northeast Florida is home to a diverse and vibrant legal community. The Jacksonville Bar and Fourth Circuit Pro Bono Committee continue to support pro bono efforts for those in need in our community.

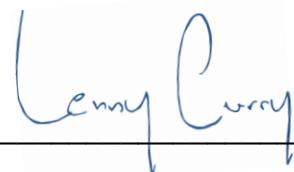
NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim October 23 – 29, 2022 as

CELEBRATE PRO BONO WEEK

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to raise awareness of the need for pro bono legal assistance and celebrate the lawyers working to provide it in our community.



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



MAYOR

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA