



PROCLAMATION

ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE.

- WHEREAS:** The Republic of China (Taiwan) observes the 112th National Day on October 10th, 2023; 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 44th anniversary in 2023; and
- WHEREAS:** Taiwan is the U.S.' 9th largest trading partner as well as the 13th largest export market and 8th largest import market, with two-way trade totaling \$135.6 billion in 2022. Taiwan is also Florida's 7th largest market in Asia as of 2022; and
- WHEREAS:** The U.S.-Taiwan Initiative on 21st-Century Trade First Agreement Implementation Act was signed into law by President Joe Biden on August 7th, 2023, the U.S. and Taiwan will continue to hold talks on bilateral economic and trade issues through Trade and Investment Framework Agreements (TIFA), Technology, Trade and Investment Collaboration Frameworks (TTIC), and Economic Prosperity Partnership Dialogues (EPPD) to jointly advance bilateral partnership between the two nations as well as to foster a more resilient, just and flourishing economy for the 21st century; and
- WHEREAS:** The United States House of Representatives passed the Taiwan International Solidarity Act on July 25th 2023, which is a concrete step to counter China's malevolent and calculated distortion of United Nations General Assembly Resolution 2758, and profoundly signified that the U.S. Congress has taken an explicit step to clarify the facts; 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, DONNA DEEGAN, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim October 10, 2023 as

112TH 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 15th Day of Sep. in the year
Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.



CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

MAYOR