

WHEREAS: Credit unions are not-for-profit financial cooperatives that are

democratically owned and operated. With a "people-helping-people" philosophy, these institutions promote the pooling of personal resources and fiscal leadership for the good of the cooperative, empowering members to improve their financial futures and uniting to

help those in need; and

WHEREAS: Since the first credit union was founded more than 150 years ago,

these entities have demonstrated outstanding leadership throughout

the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS: Credit unions champion the idea that people from all walks of life

should have access to affordable financial services; and

WHEREAS: More than 68,000 credit unions are in 109 nations around the world,

serving the financial needs and empowering the financial futures of 235 million people, including 933,000 members in Northeast Florida. Whether associated with local, state, regional or international organizations, these credit unions commit to serving their members;

and

WHEREAS: Credit unions work to develop strong alliances that make financial

democracy possible in many countries throughout the world; and

WHEREAS: International Credit Union Day recognizes the role of credit unions

around the world, and the 2018 observance marks its 70th

anniversary, themed "Find your platinum lining in credit unions."

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim October 18, 2018 as

CREDIT UNION DAY

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to recognize the importance of credit unions to many in our Northeast Florida communities.

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IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 18th day of October in the year Two Thousand and Eighteen

MAYOR