

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: When President Dwight D. Eisenhower first established Law Day in 1958, it was marked as a "day of national dedication to the principles of government under law"; and

WHEREAS: Law Day celebrates the liberty, hope and opportunity that the United States has afforded the many millions who have arrived on our shores for more than 200 years; and

WHEREAS: To ensure a balance of power, our nation's founders established a system of government whereby each branch is held accountable by the others. The United States Constitution vests legislative, executive, and judicial power in Congress, a president, and one Supreme Court, respectively; and

WHEREAS: This year's theme, "Separation of Powers: Framework for Freedom," enables us to reflect upon the separation of powers as fundamental to our constitutional purpose and to consider how our governmental system is working for ourselves and our posterity; and

WHEREAS: This framework, however, is not self-executing, as we the people must continuously act to ensure that our constitutional democracy endures, preserving our liberties and guaranteeing our rights; and

WHEREAS: The Jacksonville community and the Jacksonville Bar Association recognize our institutions of justice and laws as integral to the promise of our country, good governance, and the fundamental principles that sustain our democracy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim May 2, 2018 as

LAW DAY

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to recognize the value of our legal rights and civic responsibilities.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 1st day of May
in the year Two Thousand 18

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Lenny Curry", is written over a horizontal line.

MAYOR

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA