

WHEREAS: The greatness of our nation principally stems from the rich diversity of

its people. For generations, immigrants have come from all over the world to settle in the United States and contribute to the multifaceted

fabric of our society, culture and economy; and

WHEREAS: Since 2014, Immigrant Heritage Month, observed in June, has given

Americans of every background, race and creed an opportunity to explore their own heritage and to celebrate the shared diversity that

forms the unique story of America; and

WHEREAS: Immigrants and descendants of immigrants can be found in every sector

of American life, growing businesses and the economy, innovating and

sharing creativity, fighting for our freedoms and more; and

WHEREAS: Jacksonville is home to many immigrants who influence our social,

cultural and economic atmosphere, fundamentally enriching the

extraordinary character of our city, state and nation; and

WHEREAS: Immigrants have been tireless leaders, not only in securing their own

rights and access to equal opportunity, but have also campaigned to

create a fairer and more just society for all Americans; and

WHEREAS: For their countless and varied contributions, immigrants are celebrated

in the city of Jacksonville.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim June 2019 as

IMMIGRANT HERITAGE MONTH

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to join me in recognizing the contributions and value of the diversity of people in our city, state and nation.

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IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 4th day of June in the year Two Thousand 19

MAYOR