## PROCLAMATION ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE.

- **WHEREAS:** Hemophilia is a rare genetic disorder that prevents blood from clotting properly due to lack of sufficient proteins, leading to symptoms such as excessive bleeding, deep bruising, joint pain, muscle weakness and frequent nosebleeds; and
- **WHEREAS:** If you have hemophilia, you may bleed for a longer time after an injury than you would if your blood clotted normally, causing weakness of the voluntary muscles; and
- WHEREAS: Most people that suffer from hemophilia in the United States are diagnosed at a young age: 36 months for mild cases, eight months for moderate cases, and one month for severe cases; and
- **WHEREAS:** The Bleeding Disorders Coalition of Florida (BDCF) is an advocacy organization founded by the Hemophilia Foundation of Greater Florida and the Florida Hemophilia Association to be the voice of the Florida bleeding disorders community; and
- **WHEREAS:** The Bleeding Disorders Coalition of Florida has been serving the bleeding disorders community to improve their quality of life by offering programs and services, such as a medically supervised camp, scholarships, advocacy efforts, emergency financial assistance, and educational programs to support healthier and more independent lives.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY,** by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim March 2020 as

## HEMOPHILIA AND BLEEDING DISORDERS AWARENESS MONTH

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to increase awareness of understanding of bleeding disorders and support efforts to improve quality of life for those affected.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June in the year Two Thousand 20

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## CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA