



PROCLAMATION

ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE.

WHEREAS: The City of Jacksonville is home to over 800,000 residents with 11 percent of the population being seniors who enhance and support our community by serving as mentors, leaders, volunteers, and vital members of our community; and

WHEREAS: On April 23, 2019, Governor Ron DeSantis designated the State of Florida age-friendly and Jacksonville recognizes the importance of being an age-friendly community and supports the senior population through social and physical inclusion; and

WHEREAS: By 2030, one of every five people in the U.S. will be 65 or older, and by 2035, the number of adults older than 65 will be greater than the number of children under 18, and Jacksonville is committed to taking action to become an age-friendly city which enables Jacksonville residents to have an improved quality of life as they age; and

WHEREAS: Organizations and individuals such as AARP, The World Health Organization, local elected officials, stakeholders, and engaged residents work every day to ensure Jacksonville is prepared for rapid population aging and the parallel trend of urbanization; and

WHEREAS: The AARP Network of Age-Friendly States and Communities serves as a catalyst to educate community leaders and encourage them to implement the types of changes that make communities such as Jacksonville more livable for people of all ages, especially older adults; and

WHEREAS: Jacksonville is a prime example of a community who recognizes the importance of being an age-friendly city and by joining the AARP's network of Age-Friendly Communities Jacksonville will continue to pave the way for our senior population to thrive as they age.

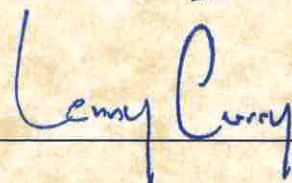
NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim Jacksonville an

AGE-FRIENDLY CITY

and encourage all citizens to recognize the essential role of our senior population and support the community efforts to join the ever-growing list of AARP's Age-Friendly Communities.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 23rd day of Feb.
in the year Two Thousand 21



MAYOR

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA