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In the United States, 40 percent of food produced is never eaten,

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which contributes to more than eight percent of total global greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS: Food waste is a vastly overlooked driver of climate change and reducing the amount of food waste throughout the country is one of the most important things we can do as a nation to reverse global warming; and

## WHEREAS: Reducing food waste represents one of the greatest contributions for individuals, companies, and communities to help reverse global warming, and at the same time feed more people, increase economic benefits, and preserve threatened eco-systems nationwide; and

The City of Jacksonville, is positioned as a global leader in WHEREAS: sustainability, working to reduce its impact on the planet by drawing awareness around the epidemic which acts as a key component in fighting food waste.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim April 28, 2021 as

## **STOP FOOD WASTE DAY**

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to strive each day to help stop food waste in our community and, in turn, help contribute to a healthier environment now and for our future generations.

