

## PROCLAMATION

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WHEREAS: Each year, the City of Jacksonville remembers the longstanding legacy of the

former Jacksonville University president and Chancellor Emeritus Dr. Frances

"Fran" Bartlett Kinne; and

WHEREAS: During her nearly 103 years of life, Dr. Kinne showed a passion for learning and

a dedication to the advancement of those who she was able to impact through her extraordinary work at Jacksonville University as a professor and the first

female president of a college or university in the state of Florida; and

WHEREAS: For over 60 years, Dr. Kinne led students to greatness at Jacksonville University

and left a mark on everyone who was fortunate enough to know her and be

impacted by her generous and kind spirit; and

WHEREAS: Dr. Kinne was not only a pioneer in education with accomplishments ranging

from being first woman in the world to be named dean of a college, the first American woman to earn a doctorate at the University of Frankfurt, the first female university president in Florida, and the first Chancellor of Jacksonville University, but also within the Jacksonville community serving as the first female president of the Downtown Rotary Club, the first female member of the River Club, the first winner of the EVE Award in Jacksonville, and she was also

inducted into the Florida Women's Hall of Fame in 1986; and

WHEREAS: Dr. Kinne had many talents outside of education including her impressive piano

playing skills which she loved sharing with others and watching them enjoy her music, and giving tremendous joy to those who experienced her abilities even

after her milestone 100th birthday; and

WHEREAS: In Jacksonville, we recognize the monumental contributions that Dr. Kinne

made to our community and our future generations, and hold her and her legacy

in the highest regard.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY,** by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 as

## DR. FRAN KINNE DAY

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to celebrate and honor the contributions Dr. Kinne made to our great city and to Jacksonville University students, faculty, and staff.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 14th day of May in the year Two Thousand 21

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