



PROCLAMATION

ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE.

- WHEREAS:** Irritable Bowel Syndrome (IBS) is a disease of the gastrointestinal tract characterized by abdominal pain, cramping and bloating, and altered bowel habits. This disease impacts work productivity, mental health, and diminishes the quality of life of those affected; and
- WHEREAS:** IBS is a chronic illness that affects approximately 45 million people in the United States. IBS can be diarrhea dominant, constipation dominant, or a combination of the two; and
- WHEREAS:** Little is known about IBS and there is currently no known cure for the disease; and
- WHEREAS:** Millions of individuals continue to be afflicted by the uncomfortable, painful, and personal symptoms of IBS with little hope for relief; and
- WHEREAS:** Increased awareness and research are crucial to uncovering the causes behind IBS and ways to treat, cure, or otherwise manage the distressing symptoms caused by IBS; and
- WHEREAS:** More investment is needed in research, treatment, and awareness of Irritable Bowel Syndrome.

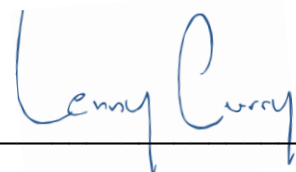
NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim April 2022 as

IBS AWARENESS MONTH

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to raise awareness of the effects of IBS and to support those in our community afflicted by the disease.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 8th day of Feb. in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Two

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lenny Curry".

MAYOR

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA