

ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE

WHEREAS: In 1922, Ninah Cummer founded the Garden Club of Jacksonville in

her home, at the current site of the Cummer Museum; and

WHEREAS: Founding members focused on city planning projects, with a particular

focus on creating and revitalizing city parks; and

WHEREAS: The Garden Club was instrumental in creating spaces like Memorial

Park and preserving many of the city's ancient live oak trees; and

WHEREAS: The Garden Club, along with philanthropist Jessie Ball duPont, helped

rescue the historic Treaty Oak, a landmark located in what is now

Jessie Ball duPont Park; and

WHEREAS: When Ninah Cummer died in 1958, the bulk of her estate was

dedicated to the creation of the Cummer Museum; and

WHEREAS: Ninah Cummer remains a massively important figure in Jacksonville's

history. Because of her advocacy and support, Jacksonville continues boast an extensive park and greenspace system, and the Garden Club and its partners continue to preserve Jacksonville's extensive history

and culture.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim October 16, 2022 as

NINAH CUMMER DAY

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to celebrate Ninah Cummer's contributions to Jacksonville on the day of her birth, October 16th.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 12th Day of Oct. in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Two

MAYOR