

WHEREAS: Inspired to recognize the often thankless job of waste collectors,

Jacksonville's own John Arwood, second-generation owner of Arwood Waste Collection Services, began the annual observance of National

Garbage Man Day on June 17, 2012; and

WHEREAS: The men and women employed by local refuse collection and hauling

companies that are contracted by the City of Jacksonville make significant contributions to the safety, health, and welfare of our

citizens; and

WHEREAS: With an area spanning 840 square miles and thousands of miles of

roads, Jacksonville depends on the rain-or-shine collection of waste and

recyclables to promote a clean and tidy community; and

WHEREAS: According to the Center for Disease Control, the eradication of many

diseases in the Western World is due in large part to higher public sanitation standards resulting from effective garbage disposal; and

WHEREAS: The proper collection and disposal of waste and recyclables are vital to

preventing disease, litter and dump heaps; and

WHEREAS: The City of Jacksonville values and celebrates our local sanitation

industry employees for their commitment to our residents, businesses

and communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim June 17-24, 2019 as

GARBAGE MAN WEEK

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to join me in thanking the hardworking men and women who ensure our communities are kept clean and tidy.

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IN WITNESS THEREOF, this ZIST day of May in the year Two Thousand 19

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