



PROCLAMATION

ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE.

WHEREAS: Every blind citizen of Jacksonville, Florida has the right to carry the white cane. The white cane demonstrates and symbolizes the ability to achieve a full and independent life and the capacity to work productively in competitive employment; and

WHEREAS: The white cane, by allowing every blind person to move freely and safely from place to place, makes it possible for the blind to fully participate in and contribute to our society and to live the lives they want; and

WHEREAS: Every citizen should be aware that the law requires that motorists and cyclists exercise appropriate caution when approaching a blind person carrying a white cane; and

WHEREAS: Florida law also calls upon employers, both public and private, to be aware of and utilize the employment skills of our blind citizens by recognizing their worth as individuals and their productive capacities; and

WHEREAS: The City of Jacksonville is committed to promoting greater acceptance of the blind in the community and facilitating the expansion of employment opportunities for blind citizens within the competitive labor market.

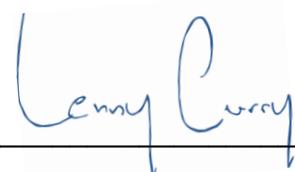
NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim October 15, 2022 as

WHITE CANE AWARENESS DAY

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to recognize the white cane as a tool of independence for blind citizens throughout the Jacksonville community.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 5th Day of Oct. in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Two

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

MAYOR

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA