



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: In 1954, the United Nations designated November 20 as a global observance in celebration of children. This is a day to promote international togetherness, raise awareness of the needs of children worldwide, and work to create a safe and healthy environment for all children; and

WHEREAS: The global organization UNICEF leads this observance and advocates year-round for the rights and needs of children, including health, safety and access to educational opportunities; and

WHEREAS: UNICEF uses the color blue as a symbol for its child welfare movement. This year's World Children's Day theme encourages everyone to "Go Blue" in advocating for the lives of children in need, fighting for their rights, and helping them fulfill their great potential; and

WHEREAS: In Jacksonville, we recognize that our youth represent our greatest asset and deserve our support and encouragement to develop their talents, character and skills; and

WHEREAS: It is with this in mind that the Kids Hope Alliance (KHA) was established, to provide resources, services and programs that meet the diverse and ever-changing needs of children throughout our city; and

WHEREAS: Each child deserves a safe, healthy and nurturing environment in which to grow and learn. Jacksonville is committed to offering our children every encouragement and opportunity to achieve their dreams.

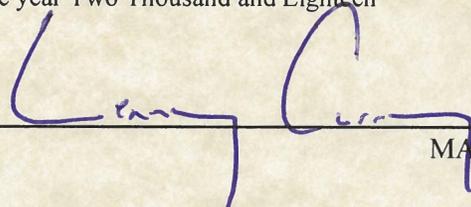
NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim November 20, 2018 as

WORLD CHILDREN'S DAY

in Jacksonville and urge all citizens to recognize and support our young people and the hope they represent for our future.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 19th day of November
in the year Two Thousand and Eighteen


MAYOR

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA