

ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE.

WHEREAS: 40 percent of the food produced in the United States is never eaten;

and

WHEREAS: Despite contributing over eight percent of the global greenhouse gas

emissions, food waste is vastly overlooked as a driver of climate

change; and

WHEREAS: The average American family loses \$1,866 annually through wasted

food and one guarter of the food wasted globally could feed all 800

million undernourished people in the world; and

WHEREAS: Reducing food waste on an individual, corporate, and community

scale would serve to help reduce and reverse global warming, create access to quality food for individuals who are undernourished, save families and communities thousands of dollars, and preserve

threatened ecosystems; and

WHEREAS: Compass Group USA, and its chapter in Jacksonville, work to increase

awareness of the issue of food waste in our community and provide individuals and businesses with effective, realistic steps they can take

to prevent food waste.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim the 27th day of April

as

STOP FOOD WASTE DAY

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to raise awareness of the critical food-waste issue while sharing practical and impactful solutions to shift behaviors and create change.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 25th Day of March in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Two

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