

ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE

WHEREAS: In 1961, Congress designated the third full week in March to be

National Poison Prevention Week, and since then, this week has helped to raise national awareness of the dangers of potentially poisonous medicines, household chemicals, and other substances;

and

WHEREAS: 93% of poisonings occur within a person's home. 45% of cases

involve children under the age of 6 years old; and

WHEREAS: In 2021, 2,366 Florida children under the age of 5 years old reported

exposure to poison in the form of medications and other common

household chemicals; and

WHEREAS: Florida's Poison Control Centers provide life-saving assistance to those

exposed to poisons and education and resources to help prevent

poisonings from occurring; and

WHEREAS: It is crucial that every individual in Jacksonville and throughout the

country understand the dangers of common household materials and the steps that can be taken to prevent exposure, harm, and death

from these chemicals.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim March 20-26, 2022 as

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to raise awareness of the dangers of potentially poisonous medicines, household chemicals, and other substances.

POISON PREVENTION WEEK



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 28th Day of Feb. in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Two

MAYOF