

WHEREAS: All Americans deserve a workplace that contributes to their safety and

well-being; and

WHEREAS: Since 1989, American workers, government officials, and community

leaders have observed April 28 as a day of remembrance for those who

have been injured or killed on the job; and

WHEREAS: Despite the provisions of the landmark legislation of 1970 when President

Richard Nixon signed the Occupational Safety and Health Act into law, tens of thousands of American workers are permanently disabled or killed

annually by workplace injuries or occupational diseases; and

WHEREAS: In a nationwide effort to prevent these tragedies, employers and

government agencies work collaboratively to improve workplace safety

and encourage stronger health standards and enforcement; and

WHEREAS: Several local, state and federal entities, including the Jacksonville Alliance

for a Safe Workforce (composed of the American Society of Safety Engineers, Northeast Florida Safety Council, First Coast Manufacturers Association, and Occupational Safety and Health Administration), work to

actively pursue improvements in workplace safety; and

WHEREAS: On April 27, the Northeast Florida Safety Council will host the region's

third annual observance of Workers' Memorial Day. Citizens can also join in the month-long awareness campaign by signing the Pledge for Safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim April 28, 2018 as

WORKERS' MEMORIAL DAY

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to join me in honoring those who lost their lives to workplace injuries, and to recognize the importance of workplace safety.

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IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 18th day of April in the year Two Thousand 18

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