



PROCLAMATION

ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE.

WHEREAS: Global Meetings Industry Day (GMID) is the annual global advocacy day that sheds light on the value of the meetings to people, businesses, and communities; and

WHEREAS: The meetings industry as a whole has a noticeable impact on the economy, local businesses, and citizens of Jacksonville; and

WHEREAS: Internationally, the meetings industry creates hundreds of thousands of jobs annually and generates billions of dollars of revenue that supports communities in Florida, nationally, and around the world; and

WHEREAS: Hosting an event, convention or tradeshow stimulates Northeast Florida's economy by bringing in new visitors and tourists to our area who stay in our local hotels, eat in our restaurants, shop in our neighborhood stores, and bring new and increased revenue to Jacksonville; and

WHEREAS: This year, Global Meetings Industry Day is a time for Jacksonville to acknowledge the importance of the meetings industry and all it provides for our community, as well as spotlight the need for industry relief from the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS: Jacksonville will continue to support and recognize the importance of this industry and support companies and the individuals who attend these important events.

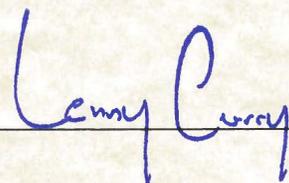
NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim April 8th as

GLOBAL MEETINGS INDUSTRY DAY

In Jacksonville and urge all citizens to take a moment to reflect on the impact that this industry brings to our local communities, businesses and economy.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 16th day of March
in the year Two Thousand 21



MAYOR

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA