

- **WHEREAS:** Antisemitic incidents in the United States rose 36% in 2022 according to an annual audit conducted by the Anti-Defamation League; and
- **WHEREAS:** The City of Jacksonville has been the subject of a series of antisemitic and hateful instances in recent years; and
- **WHEREAS:** In response to this, the Jewish Community Alliance and the First Coast YMCA have partnered to launch "Together Against Hate: Promoting Unity in the Community"; and
- WHEREAS: Beginning September 14, 2023 and running through February 25, 2024, this partnership will include a series of community conversations and events aimed at promoting unity and addressing topics of prejudice against people of different faiths, genders, races, ethnicities, sexual orientations, gender identities, and abilities; and
- **WHEREAS:** The series will culminate in a Race Against Hate 5k Run/Walk at the Winston Family YMCA on Sunday, February 25, 2024 at 1 PM; and
- **WHEREAS:** The City of Jacksonville recognizes the need for unity, open dialogue, and efforts to see each other's humanity in order to curb instances of antisemitism and intolerance in the Jacksonville community.
- **NOW, THEREFORE, I, DONNA DEEGAN,** by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim September 14, 2023 as

TOGETHER AGAINST HATE DAY

In Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to reach out across our differences, take part in respectful discussions, and join together to stand against hate in the community.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 11th Day of Sep. in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.

Donna Deega MAYOR

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE. FLORIDA