

1 Introduced by Council Member Boylan:
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4 **RESOLUTION 2025-292**

5 A RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF
6 THE FIRST CONSERVATIVE BAPTIST CHURCH;
7 RECOGNIZING ITS LEGACY OF FAITH, SERVICE, AND
8 COMMUNITY IMPACT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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10 **WHEREAS**, First Conservative Baptist Church (FCBC) was founded
11 on April 7, 1985, with Mayor Hans Tanzler in attendance; and through
12 the dedicated vision and ministry of Dr. Gene A. Youngblood and his
13 wife, Dr. Dot Youngblood, who committed their lives to outreach and
14 teaching in the Mandarin community of Jacksonville; and

15 **WHEREAS**, the early congregation first met on Easter morning in
16 1985 and later worshiped in rented facilities before establishing a
17 permanent home on Old St. Augustine Road, breaking ground on November
18 17, 1985; and

19 **WHEREAS**, the church faithfully built its current structure
20 over a 22-month period, holding its first service in the new facility
21 on Father's Day in 1987, and later established the Conservative
22 Christian Academy, serving students from Kindergarten through Twelfth
23 grade, with its first graduating class in 1998; and

24 **WHEREAS**, FCBC has served as the founding home of Conservative
25 Theological University, formerly Conservative Theological Seminary,
26 providing ministry training and education in biblical doctrine and
27 theology; and

28 **WHEREAS**, the ministry of FCBC has expanded globally, with
29 missionaries and outreach efforts impacting communities in India,
30 Russia, the Philippines, China, Canada, and beyond, supporting the
31 mission to "Go Therefore and Teach" as part of the Great Commission

1 (Matthew 28:16-20); and

2 **WHEREAS**, FCBC's ministry includes weekly worship services,
3 radio broadcasting reaching millions since 2015, and evangelism
4 through outreach, visitation, and educational resources including
5 seminary classes and a Christian bookstore; and

6 **WHEREAS**, over the past 40 years, FCBC has remained committed
7 to its core values of biblical authority, evangelism, and
8 discipleship, touching lives locally and around the world through
9 steadfast faith and service; now therefore

10 **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

11 **Section 1.** The City Council hereby recognizes and
12 congratulates First Conservative Baptist Church on its 40th
13 anniversary and commends its continued legacy of spiritual
14 leadership, education, and global outreach.

15 **Section 2. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become
16 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
17 without the Mayor's signature.

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19 Form Approved:

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21 /s/ Shannon MacGillis

22 Office of General Counsel

23 Legislation Prepared By: Nayeli Jimenez, City Council Research

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