Introduced by Council Member Salem and Co-Sponsored by Council Members
 Carlucci, Johnson, Freeman, J. Carlucci, Boylan, Miller and
 Clark-Murray:

ORDINANCE 2024-161-E

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$122,500 FROM THE 7 8 COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S DESIGNATED CONTINGENCY TO 9 VARIOUS ACCOUNTS WITHIN THE JACKSONVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR RELOCATION, STORAGE, DIGITIZATION 10 AND PRESERVATION OF CITY OF JACKSONVILLE/DUVAL 11 12 COUNTY HISTORICAL RECORDS; PROVIDING FOR REVERTER OF FUNDS; APPROVING, AND AUTHORIZING 13 THE MAYOR, OR HER DESIGNEE, AND THE CORPORATION 14 SECRETARY TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER A MEMORANDUM OF 15 16 UNDERSTANDING BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE AND THE JACKSONVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY 17 (THE "MOU") OUTLINING THE TERMS, CONDITIONS AND 18 RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES WITH RESPECT TO 19 20 RELOCATION, STORAGE, DIGITIZATION AND 21 PRESERVATION OF CITY OF JACKSONVILLE/DUVAL 22 COUNTY HISTORICAL RECORDS; PROVIDING FOR OVERSIGHT OF THE MOU BY CITY COUNCIL STAFF 23 SERVICES AND OVERSIGHT OF COMPLETION OF THE WORK 24 25 BY THE JACKSONVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. 26

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28 WHEREAS, Scottish immigrant and American industrialist Andrew 29 Carnegie devoted a substantial portion of his vast wealth to funding 30 the construction of public libraries across America in recognition 31 of the fact that he was largely self-educated as a youth by reading 1 books borrowed from his local library; and

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2 WHEREAS, Jacksonville's Carnegie Library, located on East 3 Adams Street, featured the invitation "Open to all" over its front 4 door, as does its successor, the Main Library on Laura Street, 5 inviting the community to partake of the vast amount of information 6 and resources for learning contained therein; and

7 WHEREAS, digitization of the City's historical records offers 8 another source of information for scholars and the general public to 9 learn more about Jacksonville's history and government; and

10 WHEREAS, digitization of the City's historical records will 11 make them readily available worldwide, offering a glimpse into aspects 12 of Jacksonville's long history that may be of interest to scholars, 13 researchers, and local residents; and

WHEREAS, digitization of these historical records using the latest technological advances available will produce the best possible reproductions of these irreplaceable resources, allowing the information they contain to be made readily available while also safely preserving the priceless originals; now therefore

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Jacksonville: **Section 1. Appropriation.** For the 2023-2024 fiscal yea

20 Section 1. Appropriation. For the 2023-2024 fiscal year, 21 within the City's budget, there is hereby appropriated the indicated 22 sum(s) from the account(s) listed in subsection (a) to the account(s) 23 listed in subsection (b):

24 (The account information is attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**, and 25 incorporated herein by this reference)

26 (a) Appropriated from:
27 See Exhibit 1 \$122,500
28 (b) Appropriated to:
29 See Exhibit 1 \$122,500
30 (c) Explanation of Appropriation:

The funding above is an appropriation of \$122,500 from the

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Council President's Designated Contingency to the personnel, equipment, and license accounts of the Jacksonville Public Library, to provide funding to the Library for the provision of services for relocation, storage, digitization and preservation of certain historical City of Jacksonville/Duval County records.

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7 Section 2. Purpose. The purpose of the appropriation in Section 1 is to provide funding to the Jacksonville Public Library 8 9 relocate, preserve, store and digitize certain City of to 10 Jacksonville/Duval County historical records, including but not limited to, meeting minutes from the Jacksonville City Council, Duval 11 12 County Commission, Public Works Commission, and Budget Commission. These records are currently stored in the City Hall basement and will 13 be relocated to the Main Library's Special Collections which are 14 housed in the Florida Times Union room on the 4<sup>th</sup> Floor. The Florida 15 Times Union room is a secure room accessible only to library staff. 16 17 Items currently stored in Special Collections are retrieved by staff 18 upon customer request.

The digitization component of this project will include making these historical records accessible digitally to all Jacksonville Library users and to the Florida University System.

22 Section 3. Reverter. Any funds remaining after completion 23 of the project described herein shall be returned to the account of 24 origin.

Section 4. Approval and Authorization to Execute. There is hereby approved, and the Mayor, or her designee, and the Corporation Secretary are hereby authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the City that certain Memorandum of Understanding By and Between the City of Jacksonville and the Jacksonville Public Library, in an amount not-to-exceed \$122,500, in substantially the form attached hereto as **Exhibit 2** and incorporated herein by this reference.

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Section 5. Oversight. City Council Staff Services shall
 oversee the Memorandum of Understanding and the Jacksonville Public
 Library shall oversee completion of the work described herein.

4 Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become
5 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
6 without the Mayor's signature.

8 Form Approved:

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/s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

11 Office of General Counsel

12 Legislation Prepared By: Mary E. Staffopoulos

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