

1 Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Mayor and
2 Co-Sponsored by Council Members Johnson and Freeman:

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5 **ORDINANCE 2025-438-E**

6 AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF JOSH
7 MARTINO, A ST. JOHNS COUNTY RESIDENT, AS A
8 MEMBER OF KIDS HOPE ALLIANCE, REPLACING CONNIE
9 S. HODGES, PURSUANT TO SECTION 77.106
10 (MEMBERSHIP, ORGANIZATION AND MEETINGS),
11 CHAPTER 77 (KIDS HOPE ALLIANCE), *ORDINANCE CODE*,
12 FOR A PARTIAL TERM TO EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 31,
13 2025, FOLLOWED BY A FIRST FULL TERM TO EXPIRE ON
14 DECEMBER 31, 2029; ESTABLISHING SUBSTANTIAL
15 BUSINESS OR PHILANTHROPIC INTEREST IN DUVAL
16 COUNTY, PURSUANT TO SECTION 50.102(B) (MEMBERS
17 OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS), PART 1
18 (ORGANIZATION), CHAPTER 50 (ORGANIZATION OF
19 BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS), *ORDINANCE CODE*; WAIVING
20 SUBSECTION 77.106(A) (MEMBERSHIP;
21 QUALIFICATIONS), SECTION 77.106 (MEMBERSHIP,
22 ORGANIZATION AND MEETINGS), CHAPTER 77 (KIDS
23 HOPE ALLIANCE), *ORDINANCE CODE*, AS TO THE
24 REQUIREMENT THAT KHA BOARD MEMBERS RESIDE IN
25 DUVAL COUNTY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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27 **BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

28 **Section 1. Confirmation.** The Council hereby confirms the
29 Mayor's appointment of Josh Martino, a St. Johns County resident,
30 replacing Connie S. Hodges, as a member of Kids Hope Alliance,
31 pursuant to Section 77.106 (Membership, organization and meetings),

Chapter 77 (Kids Hope Alliance), *Ordinance Code*, for a partial term to expire on December 31, 2025, followed by a first full term to expire on December 31, 2029.

Section 2. Establishing Substantial Business or Philanthropic Interest in Duval County. Section 50.102(b) (Members of boards and commissions), Part 1 (Organization), Chapter 50 (Organization of Boards and Commissions), *Ordinance Code*, requires Board and Commission members be either permanent residents of Duval County or to maintain substantial economic business or philanthropic interest as determined by the City Council within Duval County. In this instance, although the appointee does not reside within Duval County, Mr. Martino currently serves as President and Legal Counsel for Bono's Pit Bar-B-Q, Inc. which owns and operates several restaurants within Jacksonville, and maintains philanthropic interests in Jacksonville through his involvement on the Executive Council for Jacksonville University's Cost Honors College and with the Student Wellbeing Committee at University of North Florida.

Section 3. Waiver of Subsection 77.106(a), *Ordinance Code*. Subsection 77.106(a) (Membership; qualifications), Section 77.106 (Membership, organization and meetings), Chapter 77 (Kids Hope Alliance), *Ordinance Code*, is hereby waived as to the requirement that KHA board members reside in Duval County. As noted above, Mr. Martino maintains substantial economic business and philanthropic interests within Duval County.

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

Form Approved:

/s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

Office of General Counsel

Legislation Prepared By: Harry M. Wilson, IV

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