

1 Introduced by Council Members Carlucci, Gay, White, Johnson, Peluso,  
2 Pittman, Amaro, Clark-Murray, Boylan, and Co-Sponsored by Council  
3 Member Howland:  
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6 **ORDINANCE 2026-319**

7 AN ORDINANCE HONORING WARREN A. JONES FOR HIS  
8 COMMITMENT TO PUBLIC SERVICE AND CONTRIBUTION TO  
9 THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE; NAMING THE CITY-OWNED  
10 BASEBALL COMPLEX AT HAMMOND PARK LOCATED AT 2142  
11 MELSON AVENUE, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, IN COUNCIL  
12 DISTRICT 9, PURSUANT TO SECTION 122.105 (PUBLIC  
13 BUILDINGS, PUBLIC FACILITIES AND PUBLIC PARKS  
14 NAMING AND RENAMING PROCEDURES), *ORDINANCE CODE*,  
15 TO BE KNOWN AS THE "WARREN A. JONES BASEBALL  
16 COMPLEX AT HAMMOND PARK"; WAIVING SECTION  
17 122.102 (NAMING OF AND SIGNAGE ON PUBLIC  
18 FACILITIES REGULATED), *ORDINANCE CODE*, TO ALLOW  
19 A CITY-OWNED PUBLIC FACILITY TO BE NAMED AFTER  
20 A LIVING PERSON; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.  
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22 **WHEREAS**, Warren Anthony Jones was born in Jacksonville in 1950  
23 and raised in the LaVilla and North Riverside neighborhoods before  
24 graduating from the University of Florida; and

25 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Jones served for twenty-eight years on the  
26 Jacksonville City Council, including two consecutive terms as City  
27 Council President, where he secured many great achievements including  
28 the completion of the multi-million-dollar Grand Park drainage  
29 project; and

30 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Jones served on the Duval County School Board from  
31 2016 to 2024, including as Chairman, improving district graduation

1 rates and championing the half-cent sales tax for the Bold Plan school  
2 improvements; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Jones has demonstrated a lifelong passion for  
4 baseball and a consistent dedication to the development and  
5 maintenance of public parks throughout the Jacksonville community;  
6 and

7 **WHEREAS**, in honor of Mr. Jones's lengthy and outstanding career  
8 of service to the citizens of the City of Jacksonville, the Council  
9 desires to name the baseball complex at Hammond Park the "Warren A.  
10 Jones Baseball Complex at Hammond Park"; now, therefore

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

12 **Section 1. Naming of Baseball Complex at Hammond Park to**  
13 **Honor Warren A. Jones.** The City-owned baseball complex at Hammond  
14 Park located at 2142 Melson Avenue, Jacksonville, Florida, in Council  
15 District 9, is hereby named the "Warren A. Jones Baseball Complex at  
16 Hammond Park" to honor and recognize the contributions of Warren A.  
17 Jones to the City of Jacksonville.

18 **Section 2. Waiver of Section 122.102(a), Ordinance Code.**  
19 Section 122.102(a) (Naming of and signage on public facilities  
20 regulated), *Ordinance Code*, prohibiting a public facility in the City  
21 from being named after any living person, is hereby waived to allow  
22 for the baseball complex referenced in Section 1 above to be named  
23 in honor of Warren A. Jones, a living person.

24 **Section 3. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become  
25 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective  
26 without the Mayor's signature.

1 Form Approved:

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3 /s/ Carla A. Schell

4 Office of General Counsel

5 Legislation prepared by: Carla A. Schell

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