

1 Introduced by Council Member Boylan and Co-Sponsored by Council  
2 Members Newby and Becton:

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5 **RESOLUTION 2020-675-A**

6 A RESOLUTION HONORING AND COMMENDING RONNIE  
7 KING, II FOR HIS YEARS OF SERVICE AS A MEMBER  
8 AND CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES;  
9 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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11 **WHEREAS**, Jacksonville Public Library relies on a 12-member  
12 volunteer board of trustees for its policy and planning; and

13 **WHEREAS**, trustees of the Library Board are appointed by the  
14 Mayor of Jacksonville and confirmed by the City Council for up to  
15 three four-year terms; and

16 **WHEREAS**, Ronnie King, II has served in the capacity of  
17 trustee, Vice-Chair and Chair of the Board of Library Trustees  
18 during the past nine years; and

19 **WHEREAS**, during his tenure, Trustee King extended his service  
20 to the youth of Jacksonville through the Library by holding free  
21 National Society of Black Engineers coding workshops; and

22 **WHEREAS**, in his first year as Chair of the Board of Library  
23 Trustees, Mr. King joined the Library in celebrating the selection  
24 of Jacksonville Public Library as "Library of the Year" by the  
25 Florida Library Association; and

26 **WHEREAS**, following the retirement of library director Barbara  
27 Gubbin, Trustee King led the library director search committee  
28 which succeeded in selecting new library director Tim Rogers; and

29 **WHEREAS**, resulting from annual strategic planning sessions  
30 which Trustee King oversaw, the Library showed its first increase  
31 in 10 years in both the number of cardholders and in the volume of

1 materials circulated; and

2       **WHEREAS**, Trustee King's advocacy and leadership in planning  
3 efforts were critical in securing several highly valuable capital  
4 improvements for the Library including, but not limited to, the  
5 much-needed renovation of the children's areas at Webb Wesconnett  
6 and Highlands Regional Libraries, planned renovation or replacement  
7 of libraries in Jacksonville's Urban Core, and the Library's 22nd  
8 and long-anticipated physical location in the Oceanway area; now  
9 therefore

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

11       **Section 1.**       The City of Jacksonville hereby honors and  
12 commends Ronnie King, II for his generous and exceptional service  
13 to Jacksonville Public Library and the City of Jacksonville during  
14 the years 2011 - 2020. His invaluable contributions to the success  
15 of the library are much appreciated and gratefully acknowledged.

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

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20 Form Approved:

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22                 /s/ Paige H. Johnston          

23 Office of General Counsel

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