

Introduced by Council Member Miller:

**RESOLUTION 2025-295**

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF MAY 2025  
AS JEWISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH IN  
JACKSONVILLE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS,** Jewish American Heritage Month originated from a concurrent resolution passed by the United States House of Representatives and Senate, signed by President George W. Bush on April 20, 2006, recognizing the month of May as "Jewish American Heritage Month"; and

**WHEREAS,** since arriving in 1654, Jewish Americans have played a central role in the creation, growth, freedom, prosperity, and strength of the United States of America; and

**WHEREAS,** Jewish Americans have made significant contributions to the arts, entertainment, science and technology, government, business, culinary traditions, and other fields in the United States, Jewish Americans have played an important role in shaping American culture; and

**WHEREAS,** the biblical and contemporary history of the Jewish people and the enduring values of the Jewish faith were vital sources of inspiration for the founding of the United States, the Civil Rights movement, America's global leadership in the cause of freedom, Americans' commitment to justice, and many of our Country's most central tenets; and

**WHEREAS,** Jewish Americans are an integral part of the Jacksonville community, with approximately 13,000 citizens; now therefore

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

1           **Section 1.**       The City Council hereby recognizes the  
2 immeasurable contributions of the Jewish American community to  
3 Jacksonville and the nation and joins in the celebration of the month  
4 of May 2025 as Jewish American Heritage Month in Jacksonville.

5           **Section 2.       Effective Date.**   This Resolution shall become  
6 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective  
7 without the Mayor's signature.

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9 Form Approved:

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11                 /s/ Shannon MacGillis          

12 Office of General Counsel

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