

1 Introduced by Council Members Miller, Lahnen, Salem, Peluso, Pittman
2 and Freeman:

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5 **RESOLUTION 2025-260**

6 A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 9, 2025, AS
7 PROVIDER APPRECIATION DAY IN THE CITY OF
8 JACKSONVILLE, RECOGNIZING CHILDCARE PROVIDERS
9 AND THE CRITICAL ROLE THEY PLAY FOR CHILDREN AND
10 WORKING FAMILIES IN THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE;
11 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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13 **WHEREAS,** Provider Appreciation Day is an annual celebration on
14 the Friday before Mother's Day that recognizes the work of childcare
15 providers, teachers, and other educators of young children,
16 established in 1995 by the National Association for Family Child
17 Care; and

18 **WHEREAS,** childcare providers and organizations support
19 children's growth, development, and educational advancement and
20 create positive economic impact for families and communities; and

21 **WHEREAS,** childcare providers are essential to the health of
22 our communities by fostering welcoming spaces, supporting working
23 families, and creating positive enriching environments where children
24 can develop lifelong skills; and

25 **WHEREAS,** support for affordable, accessible high-quality child
26 care represents a worthy commitment to help families work, support
27 healthy child development and learning, and keep our economy growing;
28 and

29 **WHEREAS,** the City of Jacksonville acknowledges and appreciates
30 the efforts of local childcare providers who keep our children safe,
31 nurture their curiosity, and prepare them for a lifetime of learning

1 and growth; now therefore

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

3 **Section 1.** The City Council hereby recognizes May 9, 2025,
4 as Provider Appreciation Day and encourages all residents to join in
5 expressing gratitude to childcare workers for their invaluable work
6 and contributions to the City of Jacksonville.

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

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11 Form Approved:

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13 /s/ Shannon MacGillis

14 Office of General Counsel

15 Legislation Prepared By: Brandon Russell, City Council Research

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