

1 Introduced by Council Member Gaffney and Co-Sponsored by Council  
2 Members Becton, Bowman, Dennis, Morgan & Pittman:

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5 **RESOLUTION 2022-280-A**

6 A RESOLUTION HONORING AND CONGRATULATING THE  
7 JOSHUA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY ON ITS 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY,  
8 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.  
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10 **WHEREAS**, the Joshua Christian Academy was founded by Pastors  
11 Frederic and Gloria Pinkney, and this educational service opened in  
12 August 1996 with six students and nine employees. In the beginning  
13 the school had a program which covered nursery through pre-  
14 kindergarten. In the next phases of the academy's development there  
15 was the inclusion of grade school and an upper school; and

16 **WHEREAS**, the Joshua Christian Academy has an enrollment of over  
17 300 students and is continuing to grow its academy. The mission of  
18 Joshua Christian Academy is to educate students with a blend of  
19 academic excellence and distinct Christian values; and

20 **WHEREAS**, the Joshua Christian Academy football program focuses  
21 on complete youth athletic development. The team is led by outstanding  
22 coaches, and the football program is ideal for students of all  
23 abilities, skill levels, and provides goal-oriented positions. Joshua  
24 Christian Academy also offers cheerleading which can be found on the  
25 sidelines of football and basketball teams games as well as in the  
26 winter they compete in competitive cheerleading at the regional and  
27 state level; and

28 **WHEREAS**, the Joshua Christian Academy also has a summer camp  
29 that helps to continue the education of its students through the  
30 summer months. The activities include, reading, math, science,

1 swimming lessons, weekly cooking classes, arts and crafts, community  
2 service, music, and experience trips; and

3 **WHEREAS,** the Joshua Christian Academy has partnered with  
4 Jacksonville University and Florida State College of Jacksonville to  
5 offer dual enrollment to College courses for high school students who  
6 are able to graduate with an Associate of Arts degree. The Joshua  
7 Christian Academy has graduated students who have attended various  
8 colleges with over \$800,000 in scholarships; now therefore

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

10 **Section 1.** The City of Jacksonville hereby honors and  
11 congratulates Joshua Christian Academy on its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

12 **Section 2. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become  
13 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective  
14 without the Mayor's signature.

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16 Form Approved:

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18           /s/ Paige H. Johnston          

19 Office of General Counsel

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