

1 Introduced by Council Member Dennis & Co-Sponsored by Council
2 Members White, Freeman, Diamond, Bowman, Becton, Pittman, Carrico,
3 Carlucci, DeFoor, Morgan, Ferraro, Hazouri, R. Gaffney, Cumber,
4 Salem, Priestly Jackson, Newby and Boylan and amended on the Floor
5 of Council:

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8 **ORDINANCE 2021-142-E**

9 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 123.107
10 (EXEMPTIONS), PART 1 (IN GENERAL), CHAPTER 123
11 (PUBLIC FEES), *ORDINANCE CODE*, TO ADD TO THE
12 EXEMPTIONS A PARK ADMISSION FEES EXEMPTION FOR
13 GOLD STAR FAMILIES, WHO ARE DUVAL COUNTY
14 RESIDENTS, AND AN ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS, TO
15 BE LOCALLY KNOWN AS THE "TIMOTHY SEAMANS GOLD
16 STAR FAMILY EXEMPTION PROGRAM," FOR EXEMPTING
17 SUCH FEES; CORRECTING OUTDATED REFERENCES IN
18 EXISTING SECTION 123.107; PROVIDING AN
19 EFFECTIVE DATE.

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21 **WHEREAS**, this legislation shall be known as the "Timothy
22 Seamans Gold Star Family exemption program"; now therefore

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

24 **Section 1. Amending Section 123.107 (Exemptions), Chapter**
25 **123 (Public Fees), Ordinance Code.** Section 123.107 (Exemptions),
26 Part 1 (In General), Chapter 123 (Public Fees), *Ordinance Code*, is
27 hereby amended to add an additional section to exempt certain
28 admission fees for parks for Gold Star Families and, as amended,
29 shall read as follows:

30 **CHAPTER 123. PUBLIC FEES.**

31 **PART 1. IN GENERAL.**

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Sec. 123.107. Exemptions.

(a) The Office of the State Attorney, Fourth Judicial Circuit, is exempt from the payment of fees required ~~pursuant to Sections 123.102(a)(3) and (4)~~ for rescue reports and fire incidents reports.

(b) Not-for-profit organizations created pursuant to 501(C)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code are exempt from the payment of fees required ~~pursuant to Section 123.102(d)(6)(iii)(Q)~~ for hospital/nursing food service annual permit fee.

(c) Gold Star Families, who are Duval County Residents, shall be exempt from park admission fees as described in Section 123.102, Ordinance Code. A Gold Star Family is the immediate family member(s) of a fallen service member who died while serving in an active duty status. The Military Affairs and Veterans Department shall administer a program, to be locally known as the "Timothy Seamans Gold Star Family exemption program," whereby a Gold Star Family must apply annually for the waiver of park admission fees to various parks (including the annual passes, where applicable). Upon the completion of the application and verification by the Military Affairs and Veterans Department, the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department will issue an annual pass for admission to all City parks to the Gold Star Family, which may be renewed annually subject to the administrative process created by the Military Affairs and Veterans Department in coordination with the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department.

Section 2. Effective. This ordinance shall become effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective

1 without the Mayor's signature.

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5 Form Approved:

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7 /s/ Paige H. Johnston

8 Office of General Counsel

9 Legislation prepared by: Paige H. Johnston

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