

1 Introduced by Council Member Dennis:
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4 **ORDINANCE 2020-489-W**

5 AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING THE PROPERTY FORMERLY
6 KNOWN AS THE JACKSONVILLE LANDING, LOCATED AT
7 E. INDEPENDENT DRIVE, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA
8 32202 AS A PUBLIC PARK AND GREEN SPACE; NAMING
9 THE PUBLIC PARK AND GREEN SPACE "VETERANS
10 LANDING"; REQUESTING EMERGENCY PASSAGE UPON
11 INTRODUCTION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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13 **WHEREAS**, in recent years, the City has offered a vision for
14 the riverfront land which was once known as the Jacksonville
15 Landing to become acres of green park space for public enjoyment;
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17 **WHEREAS**, the Council believes that a public park and green
18 space would transform the property and be a focal point for
19 downtown Jacksonville and further desires to designate the land as
20 a public park and green space; and

21 **WHEREAS**, the City would like to name the park to recognize the
22 sacrifices of the veterans who reside in Jacksonville; and

23 **WHEREAS**, the Council believes that it is a fitting honorarium
24 to the City's veterans to name this public park and green space in
25 remembrance of their service to the United States as "Veterans
26 Landing"; now therefore

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

28 **Section 1. Former Jacksonville Landing property**
29 **designated as public park and green space.** The property located
30 along the riverfront at E. Independent Drive, Jacksonville, 32202,
31 which is the former location of the Jacksonville Landing is hereby

1 designated by the City of Jacksonville as a public park and green
2 space

3 **Section 2. Naming public park and green space as**
4 **"Veterans Landing."** The land designated as public park and green
5 space in Section 1 above is hereby named "Veterans Landing."

6 **Section 3. Requesting emergency passage upon introduction**
7 **pursuant to Council Rule 4.901 Emergency.** Emergency passage upon
8 introduction of this legislation is requested. The nature of the
9 emergency is that legislation is currently pending to rename
10 Hemming Park, Ordinance 2020-357, and one name proposed is
11 "Veterans Memorial Park" so it would be prudent to consider this
12 legislation at the same time.

13 **Section 4. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall become
14 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
15 without the Mayor's signature.

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17 Form Approved:

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19 /s/ Paige H. Johnston

20 Office of General Counsel

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