

1 Introduced by Council Members Boylan, Amaro, Carlucci, Miller,  
2 Lahnen, White, Peluso, Salem, Freeman, Howland, J. Carlucci, Pittman  
3 and Johnson and Co-Sponsored by Council Member Diamond:  
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6 **RESOLUTION 2025-118-A**

7 A RESOLUTION HONORING AND COMMENDING ROBERT L.  
8 "BOBBY" STEIN FOR HIS DECADES OF DISTINGUISHED  
9 SERVICE TO THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE,  
10 PARTICULARLY THROUGH HIS SERVICE ON THE JEA  
11 BOARD OF DIRECTORS, AND TO THE NATION; PROVIDING  
12 AN EFFECTIVE DATE.  
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14 **WHEREAS,** Robert L. "Bobby" Stein earned his bachelor's degree  
15 in business administration from the University of South Carolina and  
16 spent his career founding, investing in, and growing businesses in a  
17 wide variety of industry sectors including water, sewer and waste  
18 management, real estate, oil and gas, mortgage services, highway  
19 safety, technology, food services and healthcare; and

20 **WHEREAS,** in addition to his varied business interests, Mr.  
21 Stein has been very active in civic affairs at a local and national  
22 level, serving in a variety of capacities to a number of entities and  
23 organizations, including, among others, the following: board chairman  
24 of The Better Angels Society that fundraises for documentaries by PBS  
25 filmmaker Ken Burns; member of the Florida Council of 100; board  
26 member of Guardian Catholic Schools; board member of the University  
27 of South Carolina Business School Foundation; member of the Board of  
28 Visitors of the University of Georgia School of Public and  
29 International Affairs; member of the President's Intelligence  
30 Advisory Board, an independent element within the Executive Office  
31 of the President of the United States; Chair of the Defense Business

1 Board; ex official member of the Defense Policy Board and Defense  
2 Science Board of the Office of the Secretary of Defense; and member  
3 of the United States Naval Academy Board of Visitors; and

4 **WHEREAS,** Bobby Stein lent his considerable business acumen and  
5 experience to the City of Jacksonville through service on Mayor Alvin  
6 Brown's mayoral transition team on the Military Affairs Committee,  
7 as a member of the Jacksonville Port Authority Board of Directors,  
8 and as a member of the JEA Board of Directors for three separate  
9 terms, including serving as Board Chair during his tenure; and

10 **WHEREAS,** two of Mr. Stein's terms on the JEA Board of Directors  
11 covered momentous times in JEA's history. During his second term as  
12 a board member in the late 1990s, JEA was a founding member of The  
13 Energy Authority, a non-profit corporation headquartered in  
14 Jacksonville that has grown to represent 55 public power utilities  
15 nationwide in the sale and purchase of wholesale electricity. Stein's  
16 third term came in the aftermath of a controversy over the potential  
17 sale of JEA when a new board and management team restored the public's  
18 confidence in one of the largest public utilities in the country; and

19 **WHEREAS,** Bobby Stein has recently announced his resignation  
20 from the JEA Board of Directors and the City Council believes his  
21 history of service to be worthy of recognition; now therefore

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

23 **Section 1.** The City Council hereby honors and commends  
24 Robert L. "Bobby" Stein for his decades of service to Jacksonville  
25 and the nation through a wide variety of activities, including  
26 multiple terms on the boards of the Jacksonville Port Authority and  
27 JEA. Mr. Stein's commitment to public service and his dedication to  
28 the betterment of our community are gratefully acknowledged and the  
29 Council wishes him the best of health and happiness in his future  
30 endeavors.

31 **Section 2. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become

1 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective  
2 without the Mayor's signature.

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4 Form Approved:

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6           /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos          

7 Office of General Counsel

8 Legislation Prepared By: Jeff Clements, City Council Research

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