

1 Introduced by Council President White at the request of the Cultural  
2 Council of Greater Jacksonville:

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5 **ORDINANCE 2024-626-E**

6 AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF LISA  
7 V. JOHNSON, A ST. JOHNS COUNTY RESIDENT, AS A  
8 MEMBER OF THE CULTURAL SERVICE GRANT PROGRAM  
9 COMMITTEE, AS ONE OF THE THREE BOARD MEMBERS,  
10 REPLACING LAURA SCHEPIS, PURSUANT TO SECTION  
11 118.605, *ORDINANCE CODE*, FOR A PARTIAL TERM  
12 EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2024; ESTABLISHING THAT  
13 THE APPOINTEE, A NON-RESIDENT OF DUVAL COUNTY,  
14 HAS A SUBSTANTIAL PHILANTHROPIC INTEREST IN  
15 DUVAL COUNTY, PURSUANT TO SECTION 50.102  
16 (MEMBERS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS), PART 1  
17 (ORGANIZATION), CHAPTER 50 (ORGANIZATION OF  
18 BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS), *ORDINANCE CODE*; WAIVING  
19 THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 50.102 (MEMBERS OF  
20 BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS), PART 1 (ORGANIZATION),  
21 CHAPTER 50 (ORGANIZATION OF BOARDS AND  
22 COMMISSIONS), *ORDINANCE CODE*, AS TO THE  
23 REQUIREMENT THAT THE BILL SPONSOR APPEAR BEFORE  
24 THE RULES COMMITTEE PRIOR TO THE APPEARANCE OF  
25 THE APPOINTEE; WAIVING COUNCIL RULE 4.1101,  
26 APPEARANCE BEFORE COMMITTEE, AS TO THE  
27 REQUIREMENT THAT THE APPOINTEE, PRIOR TO  
28 CONFIRMATION, SHALL APPEAR BEFORE THE COMMITTEE  
29 TO WHICH CONSIDERATION OF THE APPOINTMENT HAS  
30 BEEN REFERRED; REQUESTING EMERGENCY PASSAGE UPON  
31 INTRODUCTION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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2       **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 118.605(a), *Ordinance Code*, the  
3 membership of the Cultural Service Grant Program Committee shall be  
4 composed of one non-voting member and ten voting members including  
5 one Committee chairperson (non-voting) appointed by the President of  
6 the Cultural Council Board of Directors, three other Cultural Council  
7 Board Members selected by the Cultural Council Board President and  
8 Committee Chairperson, and seven individuals from the community  
9 appointed by the aforementioned group (the Cultural Council Board  
10 President, Cultural Service Grant Program Committee Chair, and the  
11 three Cultural Council Board Members); and

12       **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 118.605(d), *Ordinance Code*, all  
13 members of the Cultural Service Grant Program Committee shall be  
14 confirmed by the City Council; now therefore

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

16       **Section 1. Confirmation of Appointment.** The City Council  
17 hereby confirms the appointment of Lisa V. Johnson, a St. Johns County  
18 resident with a substantial philanthropic interest in Duval County,  
19 to the Cultural Service Grant Program Committee, as one of the three  
20 Cultural Council Board members, replacing Laura Schepis, in  
21 accordance with Section 118.605, *Ordinance Code*, for a partial term  
22 expiring December 31, 2024.

23       **Section 2. Establishing that the Appointee has a Substantial**  
24 **Philanthropic Interest in Duval County.** Section 50.102(b) (Members  
25 of boards and commissions), Part 1 (Organization), Chapter 50  
26 (Organization of Boards and Commissions), *Ordinance Code*, requires  
27 Board and Commission members be either permanent residents of Duval  
28 County or to maintain a substantial economic business interest or  
29 substantial philanthropic interest, as determined by the City  
30 Council, within Duval County. Although the appointee does not reside  
31 within Duval County, Ms. Johnson currently serves in leadership roles

1 for non-profit and philanthropic organizations based in and serving  
2 Duval County, including as the Chair of the Cultural Council of  
3 Greater Jacksonville Board of Directors and as Chair Emeritus of the  
4 Nonprofit Center of Northeast Florida Board of Directors. Therefore,  
5 the Council has determined that Ms. Johnson maintains a substantial  
6 philanthropic interest in Duval County.

7 **Section 3. Waiving Section 50.102(c), Ordinance Code.** Section  
8 50.102(c) (Members of boards and commissions), Part 1 (Organization),  
9 Chapter 50 (Organization of Boards and Commissions), *Ordinance Code*,  
10 is hereby waived as to the requirement that the bill sponsor appear  
11 before the Rules Committee prior to the appearance of the appointee.  
12 Because this legislation was filed requesting emergency passage by  
13 the Council, there was not sufficient time during the legislative  
14 process for the bill sponsor to appear prior to the appointee.

15 **Section 4. Waiving Council Rule 4.1101 Appearance Before**  
16 **Committee.** Council Rule 4.1101, Appearance Before Committee, is  
17 hereby waived as to the requirement that the appointee, prior to  
18 confirmation, be required to appear before the committee to which  
19 consideration of the appointment has been referred. This waiver is  
20 granted to facilitate emergency passage of this Ordinance to allow  
21 the appointee to fully participate in the Cultural Service Grant  
22 Program Council grant process.

23 **Section 5. Requesting Emergency Passage Upon Introduction**  
24 **Pursuant to Council Rule 4.901 Emergency.** Emergency passage upon  
25 introduction of this legislation is requested. The nature of the  
26 emergency is an unexpected Cultural Service Grant Program Committee  
27 vacancy coinciding with the Cultural Service Grant cycle, and the  
28 need for the appointee to fully participate in the grant application  
29 review process from the onset.

30 **Section 6. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become  
31 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective

1 without the Mayor's signature.

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3 Form Approved:

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5           /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos          

6 Office of General Counsel

7 Legislation Prepared By: Colleen Hampsey, City Council Research

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