

1 Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Mayor:
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4 **ORDINANCE 2025-438**

5 AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF JOSH
6 MARTINO, A ST. JOHNS COUNTY RESIDENT, AS A
7 MEMBER OF KIDS HOPE ALLIANCE, REPLACING CONNIE
8 S. HODGES, PURSUANT TO SECTION 77.106
9 (MEMBERSHIP, ORGANIZATION AND MEETINGS),
10 CHAPTER 77 (KIDS HOPE ALLIANCE), *ORDINANCE CODE*,
11 FOR A PARTIAL TERM TO EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 31,
12 2025, FOLLOWED BY A FIRST FULL TERM TO EXPIRE ON
13 DECEMBER 31, 2029; ESTABLISHING SUBSTANTIAL
14 BUSINESS OR PHILANTHROPIC INTEREST IN DUVAL
15 COUNTY, PURSUANT TO SECTION 50.102(B) (MEMBERS
16 OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS), PART 1
17 (ORGANIZATION), CHAPTER 50 (ORGANIZATION OF
18 BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS), *ORDINANCE CODE*; WAIVING
19 SUBSECTION 77.106(A) (MEMBERSHIP;
20 QUALIFICATIONS), SECTION 77.106 (MEMBERSHIP,
21 ORGANIZATION AND MEETINGS), CHAPTER 77 (KIDS
22 HOPE ALLIANCE), *ORDINANCE CODE*, AS TO THE
23 REQUIREMENT THAT KHA BOARD MEMBERS RESIDE IN
24 DUVAL COUNTY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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26 **BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

27 **Section 1. Confirmation.** The Council hereby confirms the
28 Mayor's appointment of Josh Martino, a St. Johns County resident,
29 replacing Connie S. Hodges, as a member of Kids Hope Alliance,
30 pursuant to Section 77.106 (Membership, organization and meetings),
31 Chapter 77 (Kids Hope Alliance), *Ordinance Code*, for a partial term

1 to expire on December 31, 2025, followed by a first full term to
2 expire on December 31, 2029.

3 **Section 2. Establishing Substantial Business or**
4 **Philanthropic Interest in Duval County.** Section 50.102(b) (Members
5 of boards and commissions), Part 1 (Organization), Chapter 50
6 (Organization of Boards and Commissions), *Ordinance Code*, requires
7 Board and Commission members be either permanent residents of Duval
8 County or to maintain substantial economic business or philanthropic
9 interest as determined by the City Council within Duval County. In
10 this instance, although the appointee does not reside within Duval
11 County, Mr. Martino currently serves as President and Legal Counsel
12 for Bono's Pit Bar-B-Q, Inc. which owns and operates several
13 restaurants within Jacksonville, and maintains philanthropic
14 interests in Jacksonville through his involvement on the Executive
15 Council for Jacksonville University's Cost Honors College and with
16 the Student Wellbeing Committee at University of North Florida.

17 **Section 3. Waiver of Subsection 77.106(a), *Ordinance Code*.**
18 Subsection 77.106(a) (Membership; qualifications), Section 77.106
19 (Membership, organization and meetings), Chapter 77 (Kids Hope
20 Alliance), *Ordinance Code*, is hereby waived as to the requirement
21 that KHA board members reside in Duval County. As noted above, Mr.
22 Martino maintains substantial economic business and philanthropic
23 interests within Duval County.

24 **Section 4. Effective Date.** This Ordiannce shall become
25 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
26 without the Mayor's signature.

Form Approved:

/s/ Harry M. Wilson, IV

Office of General Counsel

Legislation Prepared By: Harry M. Wilson, IV

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