

1 Introduced by Council Member Freeman:  
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4 **RESOLUTION 2023-680**

5 A RESOLUTION WELCOMING THE 108<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL  
6 CONFERENCE OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE STUDY OF  
7 AFRICAN AMERICAN LIFE AND HISTORY TO  
8 JACKSONVILLE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.  
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10 **WHEREAS**, the Association for the Study of African American  
11 Life and History (ASALH) was founded in September 1915 during the  
12 National Half Century Exposition and Lincoln Jubilee, as the  
13 Association for the Study of Negro Life and History by Carter G.  
14 Woodson and other prominent Black leaders of the day to promote,  
15 research, preserve, interpret, and disseminate information about  
16 Black life, history, and culture to the global community. Its official  
17 vision is "to be the premier Black Heritage and learned society with  
18 a diverse and inclusive membership supported by a strong network of  
19 national and international branches to continue the Woodson legacy";  
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21 **WHEREAS**, since 1917 the ASALH has been holding national  
22 conferences to gather together leading historians, scholars,  
23 researchers and educators to share knowledge and discuss trends and  
24 issues in the field of African American history studies, research and  
25 interpretation; and

26 **WHEREAS**, the ASALH has chosen Jacksonville to be the location  
27 of its 108<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference to be held on September 20-24, 2023  
28 under the theme of "Black Resistance"; and

29 **WHEREAS**, Jacksonville wishes to welcome the organization and  
30 attendees to our city for a productive event; now therefore

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

1           **Section 1.**           The City Council hereby welcomes the 108<sup>th</sup> Annual  
2 Conference of the Association for the Study of African American Life  
3 and History to Jacksonville and extends best wishes to the organizers  
4 and attendees for an exciting and productive meeting. We hope that  
5 your brief experience of what Jacksonville has to offer will encourage  
6 a return visit soon.

7           **Section 2.           Effective Date.**   This Resolution shall become  
8 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective  
9 without the Mayor's signature.

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11 Form Approved:

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13                     /s/ Carla A. Lopera          

14 Office of General Counsel

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