

1 Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Mayor:  
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4 **RESOLUTION 2024-955-A**

5 A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT  
6 OF DR. TES TUASON, A DUVAL COUNTY RESIDENT, AS  
7 A MEMBER OF THE JACKSONVILLE JOURNEY FORWARD  
8 BOARD WITH EXPERIENCE IN PUBLIC HEALTH, PURSUANT  
9 TO SECTION 85.105, *ORDINANCE CODE*, FOR AN  
10 INITIAL FOUR-YEAR TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 30,  
11 2028; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.  
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13 **WHEREAS**, Ordinance 2024-635-E established the Jacksonville  
14 Journey Forward as a public body within the executive branch of the  
15 City to assess and make recommendations regarding community-based  
16 programs, services, activities, and contracts related to factors  
17 contributing to crime prevention, intervention, and rehabilitation  
18 as well as neighborhood safety and stability, and the prevention of  
19 juvenile and adult recidivism; and

20 **WHEREAS**, the Jacksonville Journey Forward also serves as a  
21 convenor to organize and engage City agencies, offices, departments,  
22 independent agencies, and community leaders and stakeholders to  
23 establish a community-based, Citywide plan and alignment of resources  
24 to reduce factors contributing to crime and to improve public safety;  
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26 **WHEREAS**, Section 85.105(a), *Ordinance Code*, outlines the  
27 composition of the Jacksonville Journey Forward Board ("JF Board")  
28 which shall consist of eleven voting members, four of whom are  
29 appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by Council, three of whom shall  
30 be appointed by the Council President and confirmed by Council with  
31 the following persons making one appointment for confirmation by

1 Council, to wit: the Sheriff of Duval County, the State Attorney of  
2 the Fourth Judicial Circuit, the Superintendent of Duval County Public  
3 Schools, and the Chief Judge for the Fourth Judicial Circuit; and

4 **WHEREAS**, to the extent feasible and preferred, but not required,  
5 members appointed to serve on the JF Board shall include individuals  
6 with experience in one or more of the following areas, recognizing  
7 these qualifications would best serve the mission and objectives of  
8 the Jacksonville Journey Forward: public health, education, workforce  
9 development, contracts and compliance, afterschool/camp operations,  
10 juvenile diversion programs, violence prevention or intervention, ex-  
11 offender re-entry programs, law enforcement and community engagement;  
12 now therefore

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

14 **Section 1. Appointment Confirmation.** The Council hereby  
15 confirms the Mayor's appointment of Dr. Tes Tuason, a Duval County  
16 resident, as a member of the Jacksonville Journey Forward Board with  
17 experience in public health, in accordance with Section 85.105,  
18 *Ordinance Code*, for an initial four-year term expiring on September  
19 30, 2028.

20 **Section 2. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become  
21 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective  
22 without the Mayor's signature.

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24 Form Approved:

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26 /s/ Harry M. Wilson, IV

27 Office of General Counsel

28 Legislation Prepared By: Harry M. Wilson, IV

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