Introduced by Council Members Carrico and Salem:

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WHEREAS, Mr. Redman was an avid athlete and a promoter of youth

RESOLUTION 2023-820

A RESOLUTION HONORING AND COMMEMORATING THE LIFE
AND CIVIC SERVICE OF FORMER CITY COUNCIL MEMBER
DON REDMAN ON THE OCCASION OF HIS PASSING;
REQUESTING EMERGENCY PASSAGE UPON INTRODUCTION;
PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Don Redman, a hard-working farm boy, was a U.S. Navy veteran and a successful small business owner for over 50 years, most well-known for operating a popular barber shop; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Redman was very active in community affairs in the Englewood/Southside area, serving as a member and Chairman of the Greenfield Elementary School and the Englewood High School Advisory Committees, as Chairman of the Full Service Schools Leadership Council for 12 years, and as a member of Youth Crisis Center Advisory Board, among many other activities; and

WHEREAS, in 2007, Don Redman was elected to the City Council representing Council District 4 which at the time included the Englewood, Greenfield, Windy Hill and St. Nicholas areas and the central business district Downtown. He was re-elected to a second term in 2011 and left office due to term limits in 2015, having never missed a meeting during his term in office. During his tenure he served on all the Council's standing committees and numerous special committees, served on and was Chair of the Jacksonville Waterways Commission, and served as the Council's ex officio representative on the Mayor's Council on Fitness and Well-Being for all 8 years of his Council term; and

activities for many years including Little League, River City Swimming, Master Swimming, biking and running events. He participated in triathlons across the Southeast U.S. over a span of 20 years, ran a triathlon promotion company and, as of the time his term on the City Council ended, had entered and finished every Jacksonville River Run since the race's founding in 1978, and annually rode his bicycle from his home to City Hall on Bike To Work Day, for which he sponsored the Council's annual resolution commemorating the event; and

WHEREAS, Don Redman, a long-time active member of First Baptist Church, was a dedicated and effective council member who represented the interests of his constituents with honesty and integrity with a spirit of servant leadership. His decades of civic engagement and service leave behind a lasting memorial to his commitment to bettering his community; now therefore

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

Section 1. The City Council hereby honors and commemorates the life and civic service of former City Council member Don Redman upon the occasion of his passing, and extends to his family, friends and admirers the Council's sincerest condolences. He was a man of honor and integrity and his decades of service to his community in elective office and in civic activities will be long and gratefully remembered.

Section 2. Requesting Emergency Passage Upon Introduction Pursuant to Council Rule 4.901. Emergency passage upon introduction of this legislation is requested. The nature of the emergency is the City Council wishes to express their condolences to the Redman family in a timely and respectful manner.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective without the Mayor's signature.