Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission:

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ORDINANCE 2024-420

AN ORDINANCE REGARDING CHAPTER 307 (HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION), ORDINANCE CODE; DESIGNATING THE COMMERCIAL BUILDING LOCATED IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 10 AT 2259 WEST 26TH STREET, BETWEEN ALMEDA STREET AND NORTH CANAL STREET (R.E. NO. 084361-0000), OWNED BY VERLENE HARRELL, AS A LOCAL LANDMARK; STATEMENT OF LANDMARK CRITERIA SATISFIED; IDENTIFYING THOSE ACTIVITIES WHICH REQUIRE THE ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS; DIRECTING THE CHIEF OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES TO NOTIFY THE APPLICANT, THE PROPERTY OWNER, AND THE PROPERTY APPRAISER OF THE LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION, AND TO RECORD THE LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION IN THE OFFICIAL RECORDS OF DUVAL COUNTY; DIRECTING THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER THE LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION ON THE ZONING ATLAS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Jacksonville City Council (the "Council") enacted Chapter 307 (Historic Preservation and Protection), Ordinance Code, to facilitate the designation of landmarks and landmark sites, where appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the structure to be designated by this Ordinance is the one-story commercial building located in Council District 10 at 2259 West 26th Street, between Almeda Street and North Canal Street

(R.E. No. 084361-0000), owned by Verlene Harrell (the "Subject Property"); and

WHEREAS, the Subject Property, which contains a one-story Masonry Vernacular commercial building that was originally built in 1930 at 3126 Old Kings Road and was moved to its current location in 1959 and operated as the West 26th Street Grocery; and

WHEREAS, the West 26th Street Grocery is an important cultural landmark found in a vibrant black community as it exemplifies the historical trend of small commercial buildings serving the needs of black communities due to limited access to larger stores due to segregation and distance; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 307 (Historic Preservation and Protection), Ordinance Code, the Council has considered the issue of designating the Subject Property as a landmark, taking into consideration its importance and historical value, as more fully set forth in the Designation Application, LM-24-04, and Staff Report of the Historic Preservation Section of the Planning and Development Department, a copy of which is On File with the Legislative Services Division and incorporated by reference herein (the "Application and Staff Report"); and

WHEREAS, all public notice and public hearing requirements have been met for designating the Subject Property as a local landmark; and

WHEREAS, on April 24, 2024, the Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission reviewed and recommended approval of the landmark designation; and

WHEREAS, the property owner does not oppose the landmark
designation; and

WHEREAS, having met the requisite criteria, the Council finds that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Jacksonville to designate the Subject Property as a local landmark,

in furtherance of historic preservation and protection; now therefore

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

Section 1. Designation of Local Landmark. Pursuant to Chapter 307 (Historic Preservation and Protection), Ordinance Code, the Council hereby designates the Subject Property, located in Council District 10 at 2259 West 26th Street, between Almeda Street and North Canal Street (R.E. No. 084361-0000), as a local landmark.

Section 2. Satisfaction of Requisite Criteria. The Council hereby finds that the Subject Property meets two of the requisite criteria set forth in Section 307.104(j), Ordinance Code, as more fully set forth in the Application and Staff Report. The two criteria are as follows:

- 1. Its value as a significant reminder of the cultural, historical, architectural, or archaeological heritage of the City, state or nation.
 - 2. Its suitability for preservation or restoration.

Section 3. Certificate of Appropriateness Required. A

Certificate of Appropriateness shall be required prior to commencing any exterior alteration, new construction, demolition, relocation, mothballing or any other action regulated by Chapter 307, Ordinance Code, that would affect this landmark or landmark site.

Section 4. Notice of Landmark Designation. Pursuant to Section 307.104(m), Ordinance Code, the Council hereby directs the Chief of Legislative Services, as designee of the Council Secretary, to notify the applicant, the property owner, and the Property Appraiser of the designation of the landmark.

Section 5. Recording of Landmark Designation. The Council hereby directs the Chief of Legislative Services to record this Ordinance in the official records for Duval County, Florida.

Section 6. Landmark Designation on Zoning Atlas. Pursuant to Section 307.104(n), Ordinance Code, the Council hereby directs the

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Zoning Administrator, as designee of the Director of the Planning and Development Department, to enter the local landmark designation on the Zoning Atlas, in accordance with Section 656.203, Ordinance Code.

Section 7. Effective Date. The enactment of this Ordinance shall be deemed to constitute a quasi-judicial action of the Council and therefore shall become effective upon signature by the Council President and Council Secretary.

/s/ Carla A. Lopera

Form Approved:

Office of General Counsel

Legislation Prepared By: Carla A. Lopera

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