

1 Introduced by Council Member Ferraro & Co-Sponsored by Council  
2 Members DeFoor and Morgan:

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5 **RESOLUTION 2021-399-A**

6 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND THANKING  
7 ALLWEATHER TIRE COMPANY AND ELLEN DUTTON  
8 CHAFFIN FOR DONATING PROPERTY TO THE CITY FOR  
9 PUBLIC PARK PURPOSES TO BE KNOWN AS THEBAUT  
10 SISTERS LANDING; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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12 **WHEREAS**, Allweather Tire Company and Ellen Dutton Chaffin  
13 (formerly known as Barbara Ellen Dutton) have donated 5 parcels of  
14 property on Heckscher Drive on the St. Johns River at the mouth of  
15 Brown's Creek to the City for the purpose of creating a public  
16 park; and

17 **WHEREAS**, the family members of the donors acquired the  
18 property in two phases in 1973 and 1981 and previously used it for  
19 family recreational purposes. Over the years the general public has  
20 come to use the site for fishing and as a kayak launch site, and  
21 the donation of the property will allow the Department of Parks,  
22 Recreation and Community Services to properly develop and maintain  
23 the site for public recreational use; and

24 **WHEREAS**, the donors have requested that the park be named  
25 Thebaut Sisters Landing in honor of an earlier generation of their  
26 family. Barbara Jo "Ty" Thebaut, Sharlie "Sister" Thebaut Dutton  
27 and Mary Ellen Thebaut Lanahan were the daughters of Charles  
28 Reginald Thebaut and Josephine Isabelle Neal and all three girls  
29 worked for the Allweather Tire Company founded by their father; and

30 **WHEREAS**, the City wishes to express its thanks to the donors  
31 for their generous gift to the public and to recognize and honor

1 their family's history; now therefore

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

3 **Section 1.** The Council hereby commends and thanks  
4 Allweather Tire Company and Ellen Dutton Chaffin (formerly known as  
5 Barbara Ellen Dutton) for their generous donation of property to  
6 the City to be used as a park site on Heckscher Drive, and has  
7 adopted the name Thebaut Sisters Landing for the property in honor  
8 of the ancestors of the donors. The public is grateful for this new  
9 recreational asset, which will be enjoyed by generations of city  
10 residents to come.

11 **Section 2. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become  
12 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective  
13 without the Mayor's signature.

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16 Form Approved:

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18 /s/ Paige H. Johnston

19 Office of General Counsel

20 Legislation Prepared By: Jeff Clements, City Council Research

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