

1 Introduced by Council Members Howland, Lahnen, Amaro, Salem, Gay,
2 Miller, J. Carlucci and Johnson and Co-Sponsored by Council Members
3 Pittman, Boylan and Freeman:
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6 **RESOLUTION 2026-159-A**

7 A RESOLUTION HONORING THE DUVAL COUNTY
8 SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS OFFICE AND DUVAL COUNTY
9 POLL WORKERS AND RECOGNIZING AUGUST 11, 2026, AS
10 NATIONAL POLL WORKER RECRUITMENT DAY; PROVIDING
11 AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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13 **WHEREAS**, free and fair elections are the cornerstone of
14 democracy, and the Duval County Supervisor of Elections ensures
15 integrity by managing election records, safeguarding voter
16 registration, administering the office, and complying with all
17 election laws; and

18 **WHEREAS**, the mission of the Supervisor of Elections is to convey
19 the voice of the people by providing fair, accurate and accessible
20 elections with transparency and integrity, and poll workers are
21 indispensable guardians of the voting process, ensuring that every
22 eligible citizen can cast a secure and confidential ballot; and

23 **WHEREAS**, in 2020, National Poll Worker Recruitment Day was
24 established by the U.S. Election Assistance Commission to inspire
25 civic engagement, ensure the integrity and security of the elections,
26 and encourage people to sign up to become a poll worker; and

27 **WHEREAS**, poll workers set up polling places, greet voters,
28 verify registrations, issue ballots, and assist voters in
29 understanding the voting process, ensuring a smooth and secure voting
30 experience during Early Voting and on Election Day; and

31 **WHEREAS**, National Poll Worker Recruitment Day exemplifies civic

1 engagement in elections, aiming to encourage potential poll workers
2 to help America vote; Poll workers uphold our democratic system by
3 enabling citizens to cast a free and confidential ballot to choose
4 their representation; and

5 **WHEREAS**, as the 2026 elections approach, the Duval County
6 Supervisor of Elections announces that August 11, 2026, will be
7 designated as the sixth celebration of National Poll Worker
8 Recruitment Day in Duval County; now therefore

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

10 **Section 1.** The City Council hereby honors and commends the
11 Duval County Supervisor of Elections and the nearly 2000 dedicated
12 poll workers whose service ensures fair and accessible elections for
13 all citizens. Jacksonville City Council recognizes August 11, 2026,
14 as the sixth celebration of National Poll Worker Recruitment Day, and
15 urges all eligible residents to consider serving as poll workers to
16 support fair elections and civic participation.

17 **Section 2. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become
18 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
19 without the Mayor's signature.

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21 Form Approved:

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23 /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

24 Office of General Counsel

25 Legislation Prepared By: Colleen Hampsey, City Council Research

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