

1 Introduced by Council President Wilson:
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4 **RESOLUTION 2020-121-A**

5 A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE FIRST COAST CRIME
6 STOPPERS, INC. AS DUVAL COUNTY'S AGENT FOR THE
7 PURPOSE OF APPLYING FOR AND RECEIVING MONEY
8 FROM THE FLORIDA CRIME STOPPERS TRUST FUND
9 PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTES §16.555 FOR A
10 PERIOD OF 3 YEARS TO EXPIRE 2023; DIRECTING
11 LEGISLATIVE SERVICES DIVISION UPON ADOPTION OF
12 THIS RESOLUTION TO SEND A COPY OF THIS
13 RESOLUTION TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE
14 DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL AFFAIRS AND TO FIRST COAST
15 CRIME STOPPERS, INC.; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE
16 DATE.
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18 **WHEREAS**, the State of Florida, pursuant to §16.555, Florida
19 Statutes, has established a Crime Stoppers Trust Fund; and

20 **WHEREAS**, the State of Florida, through the Attorney General's
21 Office, Department of Legal Affairs, the "Department", has been
22 authorized to apply for state and federal grants, and upon receipt
23 deposit them into the Crime Stoppers Trust Fund; and to distribute
24 to units of local government, upon application to the Department
25 for funding assistance pursuant to §16.555 (5) (a), Florida
26 Statutes; and

27 **WHEREAS**, additionally the proceeds of the court costs imposed
28 pursuant to §938.06, Florida Statutes, shall be deposited into a
29 separate account to be used in the judicial circuit in which they
30 were collected, as further referenced in §16.555(5) (b), Florida
31 Statutes; and

1 **WHEREAS**, any county may apply to the department for a grant
2 from the funds collected in the judicial circuit in which the
3 County is located, however a grant may be awarded only to counties
4 which are served by an official member of the Florida Association
5 of Crime Stoppers, and may only be used to support Crime Stoppers
6 and their programs. Only one such official member shall be eligible
7 for support within any county; and

8 **WHEREAS**, First Coast Crime Stoppers, Inc. is the one and only
9 official member of the Florida Association of Crime Stoppers in the
10 fourth judicial circuit serving Duval, Nassau, Baker, Bradford,
11 Clay and Union Counties; and

12 **WHEREAS**, Council finds designating First Coast Crime Stoppers,
13 Inc. as the agent for Duval County to be a just and proper action
14 to take; now therefore

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

16 **Section 1. First Coast Crime Stoppers, Inc. Duval County**
17 **Agent.** The City of Jacksonville hereby endorses the efforts of
18 First Coast Crime Stoppers, Inc. and designates First Coast Crime
19 Stoppers, Inc. the authorized agent for Duval County for the
20 purpose of applying to and receiving funds from the state Crime
21 Stoppers Trust Fund pursuant to §16.555 (5)(a) and (5)(b), Florida
22 Statutes, for a period of three years to expire 2023.

23 **Section 2. Directive to Circulate.** The City Council's
24 Legislative Services Division upon adoption of this resolution is
25 hereby directed to provide a copy of this resolution to the
26 Attorney General's Office, Department of Legal Affairs, and to
27 First Coast Crime Stoppers, Inc.

28 **Section 3. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become
29 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
30 without the Mayor's signature.
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1 Form Approved:

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3 /s/ Paige Hobbs Johnston

4 Office of General Counsel

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