

1 Introduced by Council Members Howland, Lahnen, Amaro, Salem, Gay,  
2 Miller, J. Carlucci and Johnson:

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5 **RESOLUTION 2026-159**

6 A RESOLUTION HONORING THE DUVAL COUNTY  
7 SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS OFFICE AND DUVAL COUNTY  
8 POLL WORKERS AND RECOGNIZING AUGUST 11, 2026, AS  
9 NATIONAL POLL WORKER RECRUITMENT DAY; PROVIDING  
10 AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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12 **WHEREAS**, free and fair elections are the cornerstone of  
13 democracy, and the Duval County Supervisor of Elections ensures  
14 integrity by managing election records, safeguarding voter  
15 registration, administering the office, and complying with all  
16 election laws; and

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

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

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

30 **WHEREAS**, National Poll Worker Recruitment Day exemplifies civic  
31 engagement in elections, aiming to encourage potential poll workers

1 to help America vote; Poll workers uphold our democratic system by  
2 enabling citizens to cast a free and confidential ballot to choose  
3 their representation; and

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

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

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

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

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20 Form Approved:

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22 /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

23 Office of General Counsel

24 Legislation Prepared By: Colleen Hampsey, City Council Research

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