

1 Introduced by Council President White:  
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4 **RESOLUTION 2024-593**

5 A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF  
6 CHRISTOPHER CROTHERS, A DUVAL COUNTY RESIDENT,  
7 AS A MEMBER OF THE HOMELESSNESS INITIATIVES  
8 COMMISSION, PURSUANT TO SECTION 86.103,  
9 *ORDINANCE CODE*, FOR AN INITIAL THREE-YEAR TERM  
10 EXPIRING FEBRUARY 28, 2027; REQUESTING ONE CYCLE  
11 EMERGENCY PASSAGE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.  
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13 **WHEREAS**, addressing the needs of Duval County's homeless and  
14 chronically unhoused populations is an issue of significant concern  
15 and importance to the City and the Jacksonville community; and

16 **WHEREAS**, Ordinance 2024-111-E established the Homelessness  
17 Initiatives Commission (the "Commission") as an advisory body of the  
18 City to assess the current unmet needs of Duval County's homeless and  
19 chronic unhoused populations and to make recommendations regarding  
20 programs, initiatives and services to be funded by the City's  
21 Homelessness Initiatives Special Revenue Fund; and

22 **WHEREAS**, Section 86.103(a), *Ordinance Code*, outlines the  
23 composition of the Commission which shall consist of seven voting  
24 members from the general public, three of whom are appointed by the  
25 Mayor and confirmed by Council and four of whom shall be appointed  
26 by the Council President and confirmed by Council who, to the extent  
27 possible, shall possess specialized knowledge about the needs of the  
28 homeless and chronic unhoused populations; now therefore

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

30 **Section 1. Appointment Confirmation.** The Council hereby  
31 confirms the Council President's appointment of Christopher Crothers,

1 a Duval County resident, as a member of the Homelessness Initiatives  
2 Commission, in accordance with Section 86.103, *Ordinance Code*, for  
3 an initial three-year term expiring February 28, 2027.

4 **Section 2. Requesting One Cycle Emergency Passage Pursuant**  
5 **to Council Rule 4.901 Emergency.** One cycle emergency passage of this  
6 legislation is requested. The nature of the emergency is that there  
7 is an urgent need for the Commission to be fully seated as soon as  
8 possible so that it can commence its work in a timely manner,  
9 including development of an annual Action Plan by September 1<sup>st</sup> as  
10 required in Section 86.104, *Ordinance Code*.

11 **Section 3. 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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15 Form Approved:

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17           /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos          

18 Office of General Counsel

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