

1 Introduced by Council Member Miller and Co-Sponsored by Council
2 Members Johnson, Freeman, Boylan, Howland, Pittman and Amaro:

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5 **RESOLUTION 2025-295-A**

6 A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF MAY 2025
7 AS JEWISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH IN
8 JACKSONVILLE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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10 **WHEREAS,** Jewish American Heritage Month originated from a
11 concurrent resolution passed by the United States House of
12 Representatives and Senate, signed by President George W. Bush on
13 April 20, 2006, recognizing the month of May as "Jewish American
14 Heritage Month"; and

15 **WHEREAS,** since arriving in 1654, Jewish Americans have played
16 a central role in the creation, growth, freedom, prosperity, and
17 strength of the United States of America; and

18 **WHEREAS,** Jewish Americans have made significant contributions
19 to the arts, entertainment, science and technology, government,
20 business, culinary traditions, and other fields in the United States,
21 Jewish Americans have played an important role in shaping American
22 culture; and

23 **WHEREAS,** the biblical and contemporary history of the Jewish
24 people and the enduring values of the Jewish faith were vital sources
25 of inspiration for the founding of the United States, the Civil Rights
26 movement, America's global leadership in the cause of freedom,
27 Americans' commitment to justice, and many of our Country's most
28 central tenets; and

29 **WHEREAS,** Jewish Americans are an integral part of the
30 Jacksonville community, with approximately 13,000 citizens; now
31 therefore

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

2 **Section 1.** The City Council hereby recognizes the
3 immeasurable contributions of the Jewish American community to
4 Jacksonville and the nation and joins in the celebration of the month
5 of May 2025 as Jewish American Heritage Month in Jacksonville.

6 **Section 2. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become
7 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
8 without the Mayor's signature.

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10 Form Approved:

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12 /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

13 Office of General Counsel

14 Legislation Prepared By: Brandon Russell, City Council Research

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