

1 Introduced by Council Member Johnson:
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4 **RESOLUTION 2024-645**

5 A RESOLUTION HONORING JACKSONVILLE’S FUNERAL
6 DIRECTORS AND MORTICIANS FOR THEIR SERVICE
7 DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC; PROVIDING AN
8 EFFECTIVE DATE.
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10 **WHEREAS**, those who work in the funeral services industry
11 provide compassionate end-of-life arrangements at the most
12 challenging of times; and

13 **WHEREAS**, during the COVID-19 pandemic, funeral directors and
14 morticians faced a surge of thousands additional losses of life, yet
15 still provided comfort and dignity to bereft families despite the
16 daunting caseload; and

17 **WHEREAS**, during the pandemic funeral directors and morticians
18 faced unprecedented challenges, often working long hours under
19 extraordinarily difficult circumstances and despite personal health
20 and safety risks; and

21 **WHEREAS**, funeral directors and morticians serve as our city’s
22 last responders, and their work is essential and provides support to
23 grieving families during a time of immense loss and uncertainty; now
24 therefore

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

26 **Section 1.** The City Council hereby honors all who work in
27 Jacksonville’s funeral services industry for their indispensable
28 service, especially during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic.
29 Jacksonville City Council greatly appreciates their unwavering
30 commitment to ensure that our deceased were cared for with respect,
31 and their dedication to offering solace to those suffering with grief.

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

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5 Form Approved:

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7 /s/ Shannon MacGillis

8 Office of General Counsel

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