1 Introduced by Council Member Peluso: 2 3 RESOLUTION 2025-293 4 A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE MAYOR TO ESTABLISH 5 A LANDLORD REGISTRY PROGRAM FOR THE CITY; 6 7 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. 8 9 WHEREAS, more than 40 percent of Duval County residents rent the home in which they live; and 10 all rental properties in Duval County should meet 11 WHEREAS, maintenance and safety standards; and 12 a public landlord registry would assist the City in 13 WHEREAS, monitoring the rental housing inventory and regulating inspections 14 15 to ensure that landlords provide safe housing units; and **WHEREAS**, a public landlord registry would 16 improve accountability and communication to more easily locate landlords in 17 times of emergency, and provide tenants with insight as to the 18 condition of their rental properties, including any past violations 19 20 or complaints; and 21 WHEREAS, Duval County was named the eviction capital of Florida 22 last year by UNF's JAX Rental Housing Project, with seven evictions 23 filed in court for every 1000 renters, double the number for Miami-24 Dade and Pinellas Counties, and 34 percent of all eviction filings 25 were concentrated within 100 buildings; and 26 WHEREAS, in 2022, the Critical Quality of Life Issues Special 27 Committee recommended the creation of a landlord registry; and 28 WHEREAS, landlord registries have been implemented in Florida 29 in Broward County, Fort Lauderdale, Coral Springs, and Palm Coast; now therefore 30

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

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Section 1. The City Council hereby encourages the Mayor to establish a landlord registry for the City, to provide a public platform for transparency and accountability for landlords and tenants.

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

Form Approved:

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## /s/ Shannon MacGillis

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