

1 Introduced by Council Member Diamond:
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4 **RESOLUTION 2022-125**

5 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING STEPHANIE BURCH FOR HER
6 OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE;
7 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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9 **WHEREAS**, Stephanie Burch earned a Bachelor of Science from
10 Michigan State University in 1999 and a Juris Doctorate from Florida
11 Coastal School of Law in 2005. Before she came to work for the City
12 of Jacksonville, Ms. Burch practiced real estate law for several
13 years in the private sector, served as Special Counsel for the Florida
14 Department of Transportation, and was an adjunct professor at Florida
15 Coastal School of Law; and

16 **WHEREAS**, Stephanie Burch began her career with the City of
17 Jacksonville in March of 2016 as the Chief of Real Estate. Within
18 months, she was swiftly elevated to be the Director of the
19 Neighborhoods Department where she managed Housing and Community
20 Development, Municipal Code Compliance, Environmental Quality, Animal
21 Care and Protective Services, Mosquito Control, Neighborhood
22 Services, 630-City and Consumer Affairs; and

23 **WHEREAS**, during Stephanie Burch's tenure with the City, she
24 developed and implemented programs and services to distribute tens
25 of millions of dollars in federal funding to citizens and businesses
26 during the pandemic. Ms. Burch also worked to increase affordable
27 housing opportunities and access points for those in need of shelter
28 and services in our community.

29 **WHEREAS**, in July of 2019, Stephanie Burch was promoted to be
30 Deputy Chief Administrative Officer. She proved herself to be an
31 invaluable leader, under difficult and unprecedented pandemic related

1 circumstances, and she has lent her experience, knowledge, and
2 expertise to the efforts to achieve the vision for the future of
3 Jacksonville; and

4 **WHEREAS**, for six years Ms. Burch has been an asset to the City
5 of Jacksonville in every position she filled, and she has been an
6 exemplary employee and valued member of the administration; now
7 therefore

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

9 **Section 1.** The City of Jacksonville hereby commends
10 Stephanie Burch for her years of service to the City of Jacksonville.
11 Jacksonville City Council appreciates Ms. Burch for all she has done
12 to make our community a better place and wishes her the best in all
13 her future endeavors.

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

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18 Form Approved:

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20 /s/ Margaret M. Sidman

21 Office of General Counsel

22 Legislation Prepared By: Colleen Hampsey, City Council Research

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