

1 Introduced by Council Members Diamond, J. Carlucci, Johnson, Amaro,
2 Peluso, Gay, White, Pittman, Salem and Miller:

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5 **RESOLUTION 2024-749**

6 A RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION OF DEVELOPMENT OF
7 ANASTASIA STATE PARK; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE
8 DATE.

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10 **WHEREAS**, Anastasia State Park was acquired by the State of
11 Florida in 1949; and

12 **WHEREAS**, Anastasia State Park is located on a peninsula on
13 Anastasia Island across Matanzas Bay from downtown St. Augustine
14 along the Atlantic coastal plain; and

15 **WHEREAS**, Anastasia State Park has a variety of wildlife, birds
16 and plants in a setting of beaches, tidal salt marsh, and marine and
17 upland hammock; and

18 **WHEREAS**, Anastasia State Park is also home to the Old Spanish
19 Coquina Quarries, an archaeological site from which the coquina stone
20 used in the construction of the Castillo de San Marcos in St.
21 Augustine was mined, earning it a spot on the National Register of
22 Historic Places; and

23 **WHEREAS**, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection has
24 proposed constructing a 350-room lodge in Anastasia State Park, which
25 would be the second largest hotel in St. Johns County; and

26 **WHEREAS**, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection is
27 also proposing to add pickleball courts, disc golf courses and golf
28 courses; and

29 **WHEREAS**, residents of northeast Florida, including those who
30 live in the City of Jacksonville, enjoy beautiful Anastasia State
31 Park in its current condition; now therefore

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

2 **Section 1.** The City Council hereby opposes the Florida
3 Department of Environmental Protection proposal to construct a 350-
4 room lodge in Anastasia State Park, with new pickleball courts, disc
5 golf courses and golf courses. The Council further directs the Chief
6 of the Legislative Services Division to forward copies of this adopted
7 resolution to the Secretary of the Florida Department of Environmental
8 Protection, the Governor, the President and Minority Leader of the
9 Florida Senate, and the Speaker and Minority Leader of the Florida
10 House of Representatives.

11 **Section 2. 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/ Dylan Reingold

18 Office of General Counsel

19 Legislation Prepared By: Dylan Reingold

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