Introduced by Council Members J. Carlucci and Carlucci and Co-Sponsored by Council Members Salem and Johnson:

RESOLUTION 2025-639-A

A RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE SAN MARCO COMMUNITY'S CENTENNIAL YEAR, AND RECOGNIZING THE HISTORIC SAN MARCO AREA FOR ITS HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, in 1925, developer Telfair Stockton launched the San Marco neighborhood as an 80-acre, Mediterranean-inspired community with an additional subdivision built atop the former Villa Alexandria estate, with all 250 lots sold within a single day in September 1925, ushering in rapid growth and a legacy of early twentieth-century architectural vision 18 years after the incorporation of the City of South Jacksonville; and

WHEREAS, San Marco quickly became known for its winding streets, distinctive Mediterranean Revival architecture, and a thriving commercial center known as San Marco Square, that continues to serve as a home to distinctive small businesses, art, and dining establishments nearly a century later; and

WHEREAS, the San Marco Preservation Society founded in 1975, has for five decades worked tirelessly to preserve and renew the San Marco neighborhood as an area of historical and architectural significance, engaging in restoration of landmarks, and promoting community engagement through events and advocacy; and

WHEREAS, the San Marco Centennial Committee, in collaboration with the San Marco Preservation Society (SMPS), San Marco Merchants Association (SMMA), San Marco Garden Club, and the historic Granada neighborhood, will lead the celebration of this milestone community

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anniversary with events, projects, and a focus on educating the community on its storied history; and

WHEREAS, San Marco residents, business, and visitors are encouraged to honor San Marco's 100-year legacy and celebrate the people, culture, and history that define the neighborhood's character; now therefore

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

Section 1. The City Council hereby celebrates the 100th anniversary of San Marco and extends its appreciation to the San Marco Centennial Committee, The San Marco Merchants Association, and the San Marco Preservation Society for their shared commitment to preserving the historic and cultural integrity of the neighborhood and congratulates the San Marco community for a century of history, growth, and civic pride.

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

/s/Mary E. Staffopoulos

Office of General Counsel

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