

1 Introduced by Council Member Pittman:  
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4 **ORDINANCE 2021-84**

5 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$25,000.00 IN FUNDS  
6 FROM SPECIAL EVENTS - FLORIDA GEORGIA GAME  
7 CONTINGENCY TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR AN  
8 EMANCIPATION DAY CELEBRATION IN JAMES WELDON  
9 JOHNSON PARK ON MAY 20, 2021; PROVIDING FOR  
10 OVERSIGHT BY THE PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY  
11 SERVICES DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE  
12 DATE.  
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14 **WHEREAS**, Emancipation Day in Florida is traditionally celebrated  
15 on May 20 to recognize the emancipation of African-American slaves,  
16 as proclaimed in Tallahassee on May 20, 1865, 11 days after the end  
17 of the American Civil War and two years after the Emancipation  
18 Proclamation was first issued by President Abraham Lincoln; and

19 **WHEREAS**, this date is recognized throughout Florida and the  
20 United States in celebration of America's commitment to liberty and  
21 equality in accordance with the United States Constitution, along  
22 with the Emancipation Proclamation, issued by President Lincoln on  
23 January 1, 1863, and the 13th Amendment to the United States  
24 Constitution which abolished slavery, ratified by Congress on  
25 December 6, 1865; and

26 **WHEREAS**, the City of Jacksonville wishes to hold an Emancipation  
27 Day celebration in James Weldon Johnson Park on May 20, 2021; now  
28 therefore

29 **BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

30 **Section 1. Appropriation.** For the 2020-2021 fiscal year,  
31 within the City's budget, there are hereby appropriated the indicated

1 sum(s) from the account(s) listed in subsection (a) to the account(s)  
2 listed in subsection (b):

3 (The account information is attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** and  
4 incorporated herein by this reference)

5 (a) Appropriated from:

6 See **Exhibit 1** \$25,000.00

7 (b) Appropriated to:

8 See **Exhibit 1** \$25,000.00

9 (c) **Explanation of Appropriation**

10 This ordinance appropriates \$25,000.00 from Special Events  
11 - Florida Georgia Game Contingency to the Parks, Recreation  
12 and Community Services Department for an Emancipation Day  
13 Celebration at James Weldon Johnson Park.

14 **Section 2. Purpose.** The purpose of the appropriation in  
15 Section 1 is to provide funding for the Emancipation Day celebration  
16 in James Weldon Johnson Park on May 20, 2021.

17 **Section 3. Oversight.** The Mayor is requested to appoint the  
18 Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department to oversee the  
19 project described herein.

20 **Section 4. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall become  
21 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective  
22 without the Mayor's signature.

23 Form Approved:

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25 /s/ Paige H. Johnston

26 Office of General Counsel

27 Legislation prepared by: Paige H. Johnston

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