

1 Introduced by Council Member Dennis:
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4 **RESOLUTION 2020-125**

5 A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE MAYOR
6 CONSIDER AS CANDIDATES FOR THE JEA BOARD THOSE
7 PERSONS SUGGESTED BY THE JACKSONVILLE CITY
8 COUNCIL; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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10 **WHEREAS**, Council is considering Ordinance 2020-100 which would
11 amend the Charter to divide the JEA Board member appointments
12 between the City Council and the Mayor; and

13 **WHEREAS**, if enacted, Ordinance 2020-100 would grant the City
14 Council the power to appoint 4 of 7 board members and reduce to 3
15 the Mayor's power to appoint Board Members, however, the charter
16 change would not be on the ballot until November 2020 election; and

17 **WHEREAS**, at the January 28, 2020 Board meeting, the JEA Board
18 Chair announced her resignation, and according to the Mayor's
19 Office, it is possible that some or all of the remaining board
20 members will resign; and

21 **WHEREAS**, the present Charter requires that the Mayor appoint
22 the JEA Board members, subject to Council confirmation, and the
23 Council would like to provide to the mayor candidates for immediate
24 consideration for appointment to the JEA Board to the Mayor for
25 appointment; and

26 **WHEREAS**, the Charter confers the power to appoint the JEA
27 board to the Mayor, and until modified by law, the charter does not
28 provide that the powers and duties conferred on the mayor be
29 granted or transferred to the Council. See in re Advisory Opinion
30 to the Governor, 63 So. 2d 321, 325 (Fla. 1953); and

31 **WHEREAS**, Council Rules provide a mechanism for Council Members

1 to add their names to legislation which includes the Mayor's
2 resolution for an appointee to the JEA Board; now therefore,

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

4 **Section 1. JEA Candidates for Consideration.** The Council
5 requests that the Mayor consider as candidates for the JEA Board
6 those persons suggested by the Jacksonville City Council.

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

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11 Form Approved:

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13 /s/ *Margaret M. Sidman*

14 Office of General Counsel

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