

1 Introduced by Council Member J. Carlucci and Co-Sponsored by Council  
2 Members Salem, Carlucci, Amaro and Pittman:

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5 **RESOLUTION 2024-121-A**

6 A RESOLUTION HONORING AND COMMENDING E.  
7 ZIMMERMANN "ZIM" BOULOS FOR HIS DECADES OF  
8 DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE  
9 AND PARTICULARLY TO THE BEAUTIFICATION OF THE  
10 SAN MARCO COMMUNITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE  
11 DATE.

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13 **WHEREAS,** E. Zimmermann "Zim" Boulos, a Jacksonville native,  
14 earned his bachelor's degree from Jacksonville University where he  
15 captained the men's soccer team and shortly thereafter joined his  
16 father's business - Office Environments & Services - where he is  
17 Owner and President of the 68 year old family business; and

18 **WHEREAS,** Mr. Boulos has been a strong advocate for historic  
19 preservation in San Marco, offering a steady, calm voice of reason  
20 in heated and emotional debates, working behind the scenes to achieve  
21 the best for San Marco as a committed volunteer and creative visionary  
22 for the neighborhood, with an understanding of the evolution required  
23 to keep the neighborhood viable over time; and

24 **WHEREAS,** Mr. Boulos challenged local architects to design a  
25 new and operational fountain to replace the one in San Marco Square,  
26 which was in need of repair, and then he and his wife, Terry,  
27 spearheaded the successful drive to raise funds for the construction  
28 of the iconic Three Lions Fountain, with donor contributions big and  
29 small because, as one donor stated, "Whatever Zim does, it is done  
30 with style"; and

31 **WHEREAS,** Mr. Boulos, fondly known as the "King of San Marco",

1 is wholly or partially responsible for the installation of 8 pieces  
2 of public art throughout the San Marco area, from the impressive  
3 Three Lions Fountain and The Campanile tower at the Square's west  
4 entry, to the Stilt walkers sculpture in front of the Museum of  
5 Science and History, to whimsical statuary throughout the square; and

6 **WHEREAS,** Zim Boulos, a great lover of trees and a believer in  
7 their power to soften and enhance the built landscape and bring the  
8 power of nature to bear in developed spaces, as Beautification Chair  
9 of the San Marco Preservation Society, he led the efforts in 1991 to  
10 plant trees in the medians down Hendricks Avenue from Dunsford Avenue  
11 to the Miramar Shopping Center, and has served on the boards of  
12 Greenscape of Jacksonville and the Jacksonville Arboretum and  
13 Gardens, and currently is a board member of American Forests, the  
14 nation's oldest conservation organization which is dedicated to  
15 restoring America's forests by planting more than 3 million trees  
16 annually; and

17 **WHEREAS,** Mr. Boulos's accomplishments are wide-ranging, from  
18 his membership on the Jacksonville Economic Development Commission  
19 to Airport Art Commission, and from the non-profit Aging With Dignity  
20 which advocates for improved end-of-life care by encouraging people  
21 to make medical decisions in advance of a serious illness, to serving  
22 for many years as an internationally certified soccer referee and  
23 officiating games in two FIFA World Cups and in the Olympic games;  
24 now therefore

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

26 **Section 1.** The City Council hereby honors and commends E.  
27 Zimmermann "Zim" Boulos for his over three decades of tireless service  
28 to the City of Jacksonville and especially the San Marco community  
29 as a stalwart advocate for beautification, public art, trees, quality  
30 architecture and preservation of the charm and character of San Marco,  
31 which has helped to preserve and enhance not only the stature of the

1 community as one of the City's best places to live but has also  
2 bolstered the survival of the San Marco Square through multiple  
3 economic cycles and made it one of Jacksonville's most desirable  
4 neighborhoods. His tireless efforts to make Jacksonville beautiful,  
5 welcoming and vibrant are gratefully acknowledged and will stand as  
6 a legacy of his contributions.

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/ Mary E. Staffopoulos          

14 Office of General Counsel

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