

1 Introduced by Council Member Garrett Dennis & Co-Sponsored by
2 Council Members Newby, Hazouri, Gaffney, White, DeFoor, Priestly
3 Jackson, Pittman, Morgan, Freeman, and Carlucci and amended by the
4 Neighborhoods, Community Services, Public Health & Safety
5 Committee:

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8 **RESOLUTION 2020-530-A**

9 A RESOLUTION CONCERNING EARLY RETIREMENT
10 BENEFITS PERTAINING TO THE GENERAL EMPLOYEES
11 PENSION PLAN, CHAPTER 120, PART II, *ORDINANCE*
12 *CODE*; APPROVING AND ENCOURAGING THE MAYOR TO
13 EXPLORE ADDITIONAL EARLY RETIREMENT BENEFITS
14 FOR MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL EMPLOYEES
15 RETIREMENT PLAN; DIRECTING THE CHIEF OF
16 LEGISLATIVE SERVICES UPON ADOPTION TO FORWARD
17 THE RESOLUTION TO THE MAYOR'S OFFICE;
18 REQUESTING AN ACTUARIAL REPORT; REQUESTING ONE
19 CYCLE EMERGENCY PASSAGE; PROVIDING AN
20 EFFECTIVE DATE.

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22 **WHEREAS**, Chapter 120, Part II, Section 120.206, Ordinance
23 Code, sets forth and provides certain benefits under the City of
24 Jacksonville's General Employees Pension Plan (the "Plan");

25 **WHEREAS**, City Council supports exploring the enhancement of
26 early retirement benefits for certain members of the Plan to
27 protect the health and welfare of such members in light of the
28 COVID-19 pandemic, and to potentially provide cost savings to the
29 City; now therefore

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

1 **Section 1.** The Council does hereby approve and encourage
2 the Mayor's office to explore additional options for early
3 retirement for members of the Plan.

4 **Section 2. Direction to Legislative Services.** The Council
5 further directs the Chief of Legislative Services to forward this
6 resolution upon adoption to the Mayor's Office.

7 **Section 3. Requesting an Actuarial Report.** The Council
8 requests the Mayor's office to obtain an actuarial report in
9 connection with any proposed additional early retirement benefits
10 under consideration by Council.

11 **Section 4. Requesting One Cycle Emergency Passage**
12 **pursuant to Council Rule 4.901.** One Cycle emergency passage of this
13 legislation is requested. The nature of the emergency is that the
14 impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic are ongoing and early retirement
15 for certain members of GEPP can provide for the safety and welfare
16 of such employees and reduce costs to the City.

17 **Section 5. Effective Date.** This resolution shall become
18 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
19 without the Mayor's signature.

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22 Form Approved:

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24 /s/ Paige H. Johnston

25 Office of General Counsel

26 Legislation Prepared By: John Sawyer

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