

Introduced by Council Member Johnson:

RESOLUTION 2025-854

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND CELEBRATING
NOVEMBER 2025 AS "NO-SHAVE NOVEMBER", TO PROMOTE
CANCER AWARENESS, PUBLIC HEALTH, COMMUNITY
SOLIDARITY, AND THE POWER OF COMPASSIONATE
ACTION; REQUESTING EMERGENCY PASSAGE UPON
INTRODUCTION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, every November, communities across the nation and around
the world take part in "No-Shave November", a month-long movement
inviting individuals to let their hair grow freely, beards, mustaches,
or natural curls, as a living symbol of support for those battling
cancer; and

WHEREAS, this simple yet powerful act encourages participants
to redirect the dollars they would typically spend on shaving,
grooming, and beauty routines, toward cancer prevention, research,
education, and direct support for patients and families; and

WHEREAS, "No-Shave November" has become more than a trend, it
is a call to conversation, a moment to lean in rather than look away,
and a reminder that the fight against cancer belongs to all of us,
regardless of age, gender, race, or zip code; and

WHEREAS, cancers such as prostate, testicular, and colorectal
cancer disproportionately impact men, and early detection,
screenings, education, and normalized conversations around health and
mental well-being save lives; and

WHEREAS, growing hair that cancer treatments often take away is
a bold and visible sign of solidarity with those in treatment, those
who have survived, and those we remember; and

1 **WHEREAS**, "No-Shave November", as a movement, extends an
2 opportunity for men, women, children, survivors, caregivers, and
3 entire families to join in, to spark conversations, dismantle stigma,
4 and form communities rooted in hope and advocacy; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the people of Jacksonville embody a spirit of
6 compassion, resilience, and unity, values that align with the purpose
7 of "No-Shave November", lighting a path of love and action in the
8 face of illness; and

9 **WHEREAS**, the City Council of Jacksonville recognizes the
10 importance of advancing public health, supporting research, and
11 championing every effort that lifts the human spirit and serves the
12 well-being of its residents; now therefore

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

14 **Section 1.** The City Council hereby recognizes the month of
15 November 2025 as "No-Shave November", encouraging all residents,
16 organizations, barber shops, salons, businesses, schools, and
17 community groups to participate, raise awareness, and support cancer-
18 related causes by donating grooming expenses or other contributions
19 toward cancer prevention, research, treatment, and to support
20 organizations that provide lifesaving work for patients and families
21 in Jacksonville and beyond. The Council honors the survivors,
22 fighters, caregivers, medical professionals, researchers, and every
23 family touched by cancer, and stands with you unshaven, unwavering,
24 and united.

25 **Section 2. Requesting Emergency Passage Upon Introduction**
26 **Pursuant to Council Rule 4.901 Emergency.** Emergency passage upon
27 introduction of this Resolution is requested. The nature of the
28 emergency is the desire to timely recognize the month of November
29 2025 as "No-Shave November".

30 **Section 3. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become
31 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective

1 without the Mayor's signature.

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3 Form Approved:

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5 /s/Shannon MacGillis

6 Office of General Counsel

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