

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2022-232

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Carlucci

Date of Introduction: March 22, 2022

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, R

Date of Analysis: March 24, 2022

Type of Action: Expression of the will of the Council

Bill Summary: The bill expresses the will of the City Council to see the removal of statues and monuments glorifying the Confederacy and Confederate causes from public parks and to appropriate up to \$500,000 to facilitate such removals. It requests the Mayor, City administration, and City Council to produce a plan and timeline to accomplish the removal in time for the plan to be funded in the FY22-23 City budget.

Background Information: The bill's preface declares that monuments erected either in the immediate post-Civil War era or in the Jim Crow era of the early 20th century that glorify the Confederate States of America or the Confederate cause in general have become objects of divisiveness and discord in Jacksonville and need to be removed for the sake of community wellbeing. It urges the Mayor, City administration and City Council to jointly develop a plan to remove such statues or monuments from public park property and relocate and recontextualize them in an appropriate location.

Policy Impact Area: Confederate monument removal

Fiscal Impact: The bill pledges the Council's intent to appropriate up to \$500,000 for the purpose of removing such monuments.

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