Introduced by Council Member Pittman:

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RESOLUTION 2022-379

A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING RIVER CITY WRESTLING CON ON THEIR EVENT ON JUNE 11^{TH} AND 12^{th} AT THE JACKSONVILLE FAIRGROUNDS EXPO CENTER; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

10 WHEREAS, River City Wrestling Con was started by Nick Bateh four 11 years ago on the Florida State College of Jacksonville North Campus 12 and from its inception they have continued to grow; and

WHEREAS, River City Wrestling Con returns to Jacksonville for 13 its third annual weekend of larger-than-life family fun. Featuring 14 15 countless stars and legends like Bret "Hit Man" Hart, The Hardy Boyz, Booker T, Diamond Dallas Page, and "Hacksaw" Jim Duggan, River City 16 17 Wrestling Con is the only place in Florida where performers from the 18 past and present meet to sign autographs, take photos, host live Q&A panels, play video games, and a live wrestling showcase both days; 19 20 and

21 WHEREAS, River City Wrestling Con is Northeast Florida's first 22 professional wrestling fan convention and will bring together fans 23 from around the country to celebrate the history and future of 24 wrestling. River City Wrestling Con is expected to draw approximately 25 7,000 wrestling fans to the Jacksonville area; and

26 WHEREAS, professional wrestling is a massive part of 27 Jacksonville's cultural history. Throughout the 70s and 80s, the 2.8 former Jacksonville Coliseum featured NWA events, promoted by Don 29 Curtis, every Thursday night. Jacksonville remains a staple on nationwide pro wrestling tours with Jacksonville being a favorite 30 among many pro wrestlers; now therefore 31

1	BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:
2	Section 1. The City of Jacksonville hereby congratulates
3	River City Wrestling Con on their event from June $11^{\rm th}$ and $12^{\rm th}$ at the
4	Jacksonville Fairgrounds Expo Center.
5	Section 2. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become
6	effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
7	without the Mayor's signature.

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Form Approved:

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/s/ Paige H. Johnston

12 Office of General Counsel

13 Legislation Prepared By: Richard Distel, City Council Research

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