

1 Introduced by Council Member Salem:
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4 **RESOLUTION 2022-739**

5 A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE HECKSCHER DRIVE
6 COMMUNITY CLUB ON ITS 70TH ANNIVERSARY; PROVIDING
7 AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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9 **WHEREAS**, on October 9, 1950, a few neighborhood women on
10 Heckscher Drive met to consider a club whose purpose was to promote
11 community spirit among new and residing neighbors, and to seek
12 improvement in the community with the aid of all to the denunciation
13 of none, and to create a charitable and social institution for the
14 benefit of those who need assistance and restitution; and

15 **WHEREAS**, the Heckscher Drive Community Club was duly organized
16 with Ms. Myrtle McKenna as the president and in 1952 became a non-
17 profit corporation, and during the 1950's the Club pursued the intent
18 of its charter and was instrumental in numerous community improvements
19 including initiating mosquito control to the area, protecting sea
20 oats, and seeking funds for a fire truck to be stationed at Fort
21 George; and

22 **WHEREAS**, on June 17, 1960, members held the first meeting in the
23 newly built clubhouse, which then and now, has been a community
24 resource for social, educational and governmental functions for over
25 60 years, and the Club has been actively involved in local government,
26 including proceedings of the Jacksonville City Council, and the City
27 of Jacksonville Planning Commission, most particularly on issues of
28 conservation and land use affecting the Heckscher Drive community and
29 has received commendations and awards recognizing the clubs
30 environmental consciousness; and

31 **WHEREAS**, throughout its 70 years, the Heckscher Drive Community

1 Club has pursued its mission of service and civic representation to
2 the residents throughout the 10-mile corridor neighborhood,
3 affectionately known as "Our North Florida Keys" and intends to
4 continue the same for the future; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the membership of the Club have applied for and
6 received, city grant funding for a town center initiative that has
7 resulted in signage on each of the seven islands that comprise the
8 neighborhood and the North Florida Keys, and also have continued to
9 maintain and beautify the historic clubhouse and it's grounds located
10 on the St. Johns River next to Fire Station 40 with Club funds,
11 volunteers, and monetary assistance from the City of Jacksonville
12 community grants awards program over the past 10 years; now therefore

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

14 **Section 1.** The City of Jacksonville hereby congratulates
15 and commends the membership of Heckscher Drive Community Club on the
16 Club's 70th anniversary celebration and extends the City's very best
17 wishes for many more years of active service to the community of
18 Heckscher Drive and to all the citizens of Jacksonville, Florida.

19 **Section 2. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become
20 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
21 without the Mayor's signature.

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23 Form Approved:

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26 /s/ Paige H. Johnston

27 Office of General Counsel

28 Legislation Prepared By: Richard Distel, City Council Research

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