

1 Introduced by Council Members Carlucci and DeFoor and Co-Sponsored
2 by Council Members Morgan, Pittman, Becton, Diamond, Boylan, Priestly
3 Jackson, Gaffney & Ferraro:
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6 **RESOLUTION 2022-692-A**

7 A RESOLUTION HONORING TED PAPPAS FOR HIS
8 NUMEROUS ARCHITECTURAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND
9 DECADES OF SERVICE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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11 **WHEREAS**, Jacksonville native Ted Phillip Pappas was born on
12 March 3, 1934, the son of Phillip and Fifika George Pappas; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Ted married the love of his life Mary Lee Bone on July
14 14, 1962, and together they raised three children, Mary Katherine,
15 Christina Lynn, and Mark Phillip who have blessed them with five
16 grandchildren; and

17 **WHEREAS**, Ted Pappas grew up in the North Riverside neighborhood,
18 and attended John Gorrie Junior High and Robert E. Lee High School;
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20 **WHEREAS**, he earned a Bachelor of Science and a Bachelor of
21 Architecture from Clemson University, and then served for two years
22 in the United States Army before returning to Jacksonville to start
23 his architectural career; and

24 **WHEREAS**, Ted Pappas's first solo commission was the St. John the
25 Divine Greek Orthodox Church in 1968 when it was originally
26 constructed on Atlantic Boulevard; he later went on to design and
27 build various institutional, commercial, governmental, and
28 residential projects in Northeast Florida, and helped to preserve
29 some of our city's most endangered historic structures; and

30 **WHEREAS**, over the course of the past six decades, Ted Pappas
31 designed or restored more than 40 buildings throughout Jacksonville.

1 His projects include the Mary Singleton Senior Center, the Tree Hill
2 Nature Center, the Beaches and Webb Wesconnett Libraries, old Duval
3 High School, the Seminole Club, Old St. Andrews Episcopal Church, the
4 Bedell Law Firm (formerly the Jacksonville Public Library), the Friday
5 Musicale Building on the edge of Riverside, and historic renovations
6 of Epping Forest and The Bolles School; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Ted Pappas is well recognized as a stellar member of
8 the architectural community, and is a former president of the National
9 American Institute of Architects, former chancellor of the American
10 Institute of Architects (AIA) College of Fellows, former chair of the
11 National Architecture Accrediting Board (NAAB), former president of
12 AIA Florida and its Jacksonville Chapter, and a former trustee of the
13 Florida Foundation of Architecture; and

14 **WHEREAS**, Ted Pappas has long been an advocate for the city of
15 Jacksonville, public parks, and the St. Johns River. He served as
16 president of Greenscape, the Meninak Club and Riverside Fine Arts
17 Association, and as chair of the Jacksonville Historic Preservation
18 Commission, the Jacksonville Chapter of March of Dimes, and the Urban
19 League; and

20 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Pappas is a member of OneJax and Leadership
21 Jacksonville and has been honored with the Order of the South by the
22 Southern Academy of Letters, Arts & Sciences; and

23 **WHEREAS**, Ted Pappas' career is ongoing, working each week from
24 his office in LaVilla. His life and projects are the focus of the
25 book, "Box Broken Open: The Architecture of Ted Pappas", by Tim
26 Gilmore and he will be the only local living architect included in
27 the upcoming edition of "Jacksonville's Architectural Heritage" by
28 Wayne Wood; now therefore

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

30 **Section 1.** The City of Jacksonville hereby commends and
31 thanks Ted Pappas for his contributions to our city's landscape,

1 through historic restoration and new building construction.
2 Jacksonville City Council appreciates all that Ted Pappas has done,
3 and for all he continues to do to make Jacksonville a better place
4 to live.

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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9 Form Approved:

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11 /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

12 Office of General Counsel

13 Legislation Prepared By: Colleen Hampsey, City Council Research

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