

1 Introduced by Council Members Carrico and Freeman and Co-Sponsored
2 by Council Members Priestly Jackson, Newby, Becton, and Morgan:
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5 **RESOLUTION 2023-94-A**

6 A RESOLUTION HONORING AND CONGRATULATING TAMMIE
7 K. TALLEY, DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS FOR DUVAL
8 COUNTY SCHOOLS, ON BEING NAMED "NATIONAL
9 ATHLETIC DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR" BY THE NATIONAL
10 HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC COACHES ASSOCIATION;
11 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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13 **WHEREAS**, Tammie Talley joined Duval County Public Schools' "Team
14 Duval" in 1992 after earning a master's degree in sports
15 administration from the University of North Florida, first serving
16 as a teacher and coach at Paxon High School and later as the Athletic
17 Director at Mandarin High School for 14 years; and

18 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Talley succeeded the legendary John Fox as the
19 Athletic Director for the school district in 2012 and has run an
20 outstanding athletic operation in the succeeding decade, during which
21 time the school district's sports programs have experienced
22 tremendous success at the district, regional and state level; and

23 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Talley's long career in high school athletics has
24 coincided with the full blossoming of the effects of Title IX of the
25 federal Education Amendments Act of 1972 that required the provision
26 of equitable opportunities to participate in sports and equal
27 treatment of female and male student-athletes in scheduling,
28 coaching, facilities, funding and other aspects of athletics by
29 educational institutions that receive federal funding. Since the
30 adoption of Title IX, the participation of girls in high school sports
31 nationwide has increased more than ten-fold and the percentage of

1 boys and girls participating in sports is nearing 50/50; and

2 **WHEREAS**, in 2019, Ms. Talley was recognized as an outstanding
3 and accomplished leader by her peers when she was appointed as the
4 first woman to ever hold the position of President of the Florida
5 Athletic Coaches Association, and in 2021 she was named the Florida
6 Athletic Director of the Year by the Florida Interscholastic Athletic
7 Administrators Association; and

8 **WHEREAS**, in the crowning achievement of her outstanding career
9 to date, Ms. Talley was recently named the National Athletic Director
10 of the Year by the National High School Athletic Coaches Association;
11 now therefore

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

13 **Section 1.** The Council hereby honors and commends Duval
14 County Public Schools' Athletic Director Tammie Talley for being
15 named the National Athletic Director of the Year by the National High
16 School Athletic Coaches Association and congratulates Ms. Talley on
17 this exceptional honor. The Council extends its best wishes for many
18 years of continued personal and professional success.

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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25 /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

26 Office of General Counsel

27 Legislation Prepared By: Jeff Clements, City Council Research

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