

1 Introduced by Council Members Amaro, Miller, J. Carlucci, Pittman,  
2 Boylan, Carlucci, Lahnen, Johnson, Salem, Gay, Freeman, Gaffney, Jr.,  
3 Howland, Diamond and Carrico:  
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6 **RESOLUTION 2024-560**

7 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING JIM PIGGOTT UPON HIS  
8 RETIREMENT FOR HIS FOUR DECADES OF DILIGENT  
9 LOCAL JOURNALISM; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.  
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11 **WHEREAS**, although he hails from Indianapolis, Jim Piggott  
12 settled in Jacksonville forty years ago and made it his home; and

13 **WHEREAS**, since Mayor Godbold's Administration, Jim Piggott's  
14 morning routine has consisted of "old school local reporting", popping  
15 into City Hall on the lookout for news, attending council meetings,  
16 questioning those in leadership, and forming relationships with City  
17 staff; and

18 **WHEREAS**, a trusted local news source is essential for community  
19 engagement. Jim Piggott has consistently proven his curiosity,  
20 objectivity and honesty. He has served as a reliable conduit of  
21 information to the public, and a dependable voice to convey what is  
22 going on behind the scenes in City government; and

23 **WHEREAS**, Jim Piggott joined WJXT in 1997 and he has been a  
24 role model for countless local journalists. He has reported with  
25 expertise on varied issues affecting the lives of Jacksonville  
26 residents, from hurricanes to crime, from elections to sports, and  
27 so much more; now therefore

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

29 **Section 1.** The City of Jacksonville hereby commends Jim  
30 Piggott upon his retirement for his career of diligent local  
31 journalism. Jacksonville City Council wishes Jim Piggott relaxation

1 and joy in the next phase of his life, with appreciation for his  
2 years dedicated to accountability and keeping the public rightfully  
3 informed.

4           **Section 2.           Effective Date.**   This Resolution shall become  
5 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective  
6 without the Mayor's signature.

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8 Form Approved:

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10                     /s/ Shannon MacGillis          

11 Office of General Counsel

12 Legislation Prepared By: Colleen Hampsey, City Council Research

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