

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 and Co-Sponsored by Council Members  
4 White, Clark-Murray, Arias and Peluso:  
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7 **RESOLUTION 2024-560-A**

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

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

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

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

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

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

1 journalism. Jacksonville City Council wishes Jim Piggott relaxation  
2 and joy in the next phase of his life, with appreciation for his  
3 years dedicated to accountability and keeping the public rightfully  
4 informed.

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

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