Introduced by Council President Carrico:

ORDINANCE 2025-513

AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO COUNCIL MEMBER SALARIES AND POSTAGE EXPENSES; APPROPRIATING $1,855,800 FROM A GENERAL FUND/GSD DESIGNATED CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT TO FUND CITY COUNCIL MEMBER SALARIES AND BENEFITS AND POSTAGE EXPENSES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026; APPROVING POSITIONS; WAIVER OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS OF SECTION 10.105 (POSTAGE AND COMMUNICATION EXPENSES OF COUNCIL MEMBERS), CHAPTER 10 (ORGANIZATION OF THE COUNCIL), *ORDINANCE CODE*, TO ALLOW FOR A POSTAGE ALLOWANCE FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS; PROVIDING FOR ALLOCATION OF FUNDING FOR CITY COUNCIL POSTAGE EXPENSES; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

Section 1. Appropriation. For the 2025-2026 fiscal year, within the City's budget, there are hereby appropriated the indicated sum(s) from the account(s) listed in subsection (a) to the account(s) listed in subsection (b):

(The account information is attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** and incorporated herein by this reference)

(a) Appropriated from:

See **Exhibit 1** $1,855,800

(b) Appropriated to:

See **Exhibit 1** $1,855,800

(c) Explanation of Appropriation:

The appropriation above is a transfer of funds from a

General Fund/GSD designated Contingency account to fund City Council Member salaries and benefits and postage expenses for fiscal year 2025-2026.

Section 2. Purpose. The purpose of the appropriation in Section 1 above is to fund City Council Member salaries and benefits as well as postage expenses as more particularly described herein for fiscal year 2025-2026.

Section 3. Approval of Positions. There are hereby approved the 19 positions more fully described in the R.C. attached hereto as **Exhibit 2** and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 4. Waiving the Conflicting Provisions of Section 10.105, *Ordinance Code*. The provisions of Section 10.105 (Postage and communication expenses of council members), Chapter 10 (Organization of the Council), *Ordinance Code*, are hereby waived to allow for a postage allowance for Council Members as provided herein.

Section 5. Funding Allocation for Council Member Postage Expenses. Each District Council Member shall be allotted $1,000 per District Council Member for postage expenses. The remaining $36,000 budgeted for postage in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 shall be distributed at the discretion of the Council President to all Council Members.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective without the Mayor's signature.

Form Approved:

/s/Mary E. Staffopoulos
Office of General Counsel
Legislation Prepared By: Mary E. Staffopoulos

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