Introduced by Council Member Ferraro:

 ORDINANCE 2019 - 463

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING UP TO \$10,000 FROM THE FLORIDA BOATERS' IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (Section 110.413) FOR SIGNAGE; AMENDING CHAPTER 614 (PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY), SECTION 614.132 (REGULATIONS ON OPERATION OF BOATS), ORDINANCE CODE TO ESTABLISH A BOATING SAFETY ZONE AROUND THE SHAD'S CREEK BRIDGE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, vessels approaching and traveling under the Shad Creek Bridge at higher than ordinary speeds within the narrow flow channel present a danger to the boating public; now therefore

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

Section 1. Appropriation. For the 2018-2019 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:
- Florida Boaters Improvement Program PRPL1D8AD-34720 \$10,000
  - (b) Appropriated to:
- Florida Boaters Improvement Program PRPL1D8AD-06505 \$10,000

  Project number to be assigned
- (c) **Explanation of the appropriation** The funding above is to provide up to \$10,000 from the Florida Boaters Improvement Program for the placement of Safety Zone signs in the St. Johns

River and Shad's Creek, to create a safety zone within 300 feet of the centerline of the bridge, from shore to shore, on either side of the bridge.

Section 2. Purpose. The purpose of this appropriation is to permit, construct or purchase, and install signs posting the Shad Creek Bridge boating safety zone. To the extent the cost(s) is defrayed by other entities, the amount appropriated herein shall remain in the Florida Boaters Improvement Fund and be available for future appropriation. Pursuant the provisions of Section 110.413, Ordinance Code, funds may be distributed by the Director of Finance and Administration for purposes set forth in this ordinance upon the written request from the Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services, or his designee. Any funds not utilized for this purpose shall be returned to the source of funding.

Section 3. Amending Section 614.132 (Regulations on operation of boats), Chapter 614 (Public Order and Safety). Chapter 614 (Public Order and Safety), Section 614.132 (Regulations on operations of boats), Ordinance Code, is amended, in part, to read as follows:

## CHAPTER 614 - PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

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(c) The following areas are hereby designated as slow speed minimum wake zones within the waters of Duval County:

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(8) Within 300 feet of the shore at the entrance to Shad Creek, continuing north under the bridge spanning Shad Creek, and continuing approximately 800 feet into Shad Creek until the creek straightens to proceed in a northeasterly direction.

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Section 4. To ensure slow speeds within the boating safety zone established in the waters from shore to shore, 300 feet on

either side of the Shad Creek Bridge on Heckscher Drive, the Department of Public Works, in consultation with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, and other interested city, state or federal agencies or departments, shall construct or purchase, obtain necessary permits, and install up to four signs, suitably worded, at appropriate places to alert the boating public about the zone. The Department of Public Works may solicit funds or in-kind assistance from such agencies and departments to help defray some or all of the cost of permitting, acquiring and installing the signs.

Section 5. Oversight. Oversight of the professional services portion of this effort will be conducted by the Department of Public Works. Oversight of the implementation of the design will be conducted by the Department of Public Works.

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

Form Approved:

/s/ Susan C. Grandin

Office of General Counsel

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