

1 Introduced by Council President Wilson and Co-Sponsored by Council
2 Members Ferraro and Pittman:

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5 **RESOLUTION 2020-121**

6 A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE FIRST COAST CRIME
7 STOPPERS, INC. AS DUVAL COUNTY'S AGENT FOR THE
8 PURPOSE OF APPLYING FOR AND RECEIVING MONEY
9 FROM THE FLORIDA CRIME STOPPERS TRUST FUND
10 PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTES §16.555 FOR A
11 PERIOD OF 3 YEARS TO EXPIRE 2023; DIRECTING
12 LEGISLATIVE SERVICES DIVISION UPON ADOPTION OF
13 THIS RESOLUTION TO SEND A COPY OF THIS
14 RESOLUTION TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE
15 DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL AFFAIRS AND TO FIRST COAST
16 CRIME STOPPERS, INC.; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE
17 DATE.

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19 **WHEREAS**, the State of Florida, pursuant to §16.555, Florida
20 Statutes, has established a Crime Stopper Trust Fund; and

21 **WHEREAS**, the State of Florida, through the Attorney General's
22 Office, Department of Legal Affairs, the "Department", has been
23 authorized to apply for state and federal grants, and upon receipt
24 deposit them into the Crime Stopper Trust Fund; and to distribute
25 to units of local government, upon application to the Department
26 for funding assistance pursuant to §16.555 (5)(a), Florida
27 Statutes; and

28 **WHEREAS**, additionally the proceeds of the court costs imposed
29 pursuant to §938.06, Florida Statutes, shall be deposited into a
30 separate account to be used in the judicial circuit in which they
31 were collected, as further referenced in §16.555(5)(b), Florida

1 Statutes; and

2 **WHEREAS**, any county may apply to the department for a grant
3 from the funds collected in the judicial circuit in which the
4 County is located, however a grant may be awarded only to counties
5 which are served by an official member of the Florida Association
6 of Crime Stoppers, and may only be used to support Crime Stoppers
7 and their programs. Only one such official member shall be eligible
8 for support within any county; and

9 **WHEREAS**, First Coast Crime Stoppers, Inc. is the one and only
10 official member of the Florida Association of Crime Stoppers in the
11 fourth judicial circuit serving Duval, Nassau, Baker, Bradford,
12 Clay and Union Counties; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Council finds designating First Coast Crime Stoppers,
14 Inc. as the agent for Duval County to be a just and proper action
15 to take; now therefore

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

17 **Section 1. First Coast Crime Stoppers, Inc. Duval County**
18 **Agent.** The City of Jacksonville hereby endorses the efforts of
19 First Coast Crime Stoppers, Inc. and designates First Coast Crime
20 Stoppers, Inc. the authorized agent for Duval County for the
21 purpose of applying to and receiving funds from the state Crime
22 Stoppers Trust Fund pursuant to §16.555 (5) (a) and (5) (b), Florida
23 Statutes, for a period of three years to expire 2023.

24 **Section 2. Directive to Circulate.** The City Council's
25 Legislative Services Division upon adoption of this resolution is
26 hereby directed to provide a copy of this resolution to the
27 Attorney General's Office, Department of Legal Affairs, and to
28 First Coast Crime Stoppers, Inc.

29 **Section 3. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become
30 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
31 without the Mayor's signature.

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2 Form Approved:

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4 /s/ *Margaret M. Sidman*

5 Office of General Counsel

6 Legislation Prepared By: Margaret M. Sidman

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