

1 Introduced by Council Member Ferraro:  
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4 **RESOLUTION 2021-399**

5 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND THANKING  
6 ALLWEATHER TIRE COMPANY AND ELLEN DUTTON  
7 CHAFFIN FOR DONATING PROPERTY TO THE CITY FOR  
8 PUBLIC PARK PURPOSES TO BE KNOWN AS THEBAUT  
9 SISTERS LANDING; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.  
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11 **WHEREAS**, Allweather Tire Company and Ellen Dutton Chaffin  
12 (formerly known as Barbara Ellen Dutton) have donated 5 parcels of  
13 property on Heckscher Drive on the St. Johns River at the mouth of  
14 Brown's Creek to the City for the purpose of creating a public  
15 park; and

16 **WHEREAS**, the family members of the donors acquired the  
17 property in two phases in 1973 and 1981 and previously used it for  
18 family recreational purposes. Over the years the general public has  
19 come to use the site for fishing and as a kayak launch site, and  
20 the donation of the property will allow the Department of Parks,  
21 Recreation and Community Services to properly develop and maintain  
22 the site for public recreational use; and

23 **WHEREAS**, the donors have requested that the park be named  
24 Thebaut Sisters Landing in honor of an earlier generation of their  
25 family. Barbara Jo "Ty" Thebaut, Sharlie "Sister" Thebaut Dutton  
26 and Mary Ellen Thebaut Lanahan were the daughters of Charles  
27 Reginald Thebaut and Josephine Isabelle Neal and all three girls  
28 worked for the Allweather Tire Company founded by their father; and

29 **WHEREAS**, the City wishes to express its thanks to the donors  
30 for their generous gift to the public and to recognize and honor  
31 their family's history; now therefore

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

2           **Section 1.**           The Council hereby commends and thanks  
3 Allweather Tire Company and Ellen Dutton Chaffin (formerly known as  
4 Barbara Ellen Dutton) for their generous donation of property to  
5 the City to be used as a park site on Heckscher Drive, and adopts  
6 the name Thebaut Sisters Landing for the property in honor of the  
7 ancestors of the donors. The public is grateful for this new  
8 recreational asset, which will be enjoyed by generations of city  
9 residents to come.

10           **Section 2.           Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become  
11 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective  
12 without the Mayor's signature.

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15 Form Approved:

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18 /s/ Paige H. Johnston

19 Office of General Counsel

20 Legislation Prepared By: Jeff Clements, City Council Research

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