Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission:

ORDINANCE 2021-377-E

AN ORDINANCE REGARDING CHAPTER 307 (HISTORIC PRESERVATION), ORDINANCE CODE; DESIGNATING THE THOMAS PORTER HOUSE, OWNED BY 510 NORTH JULIA STREET, LLC, LOCATED AT 510 NORTH JULIA STREET, REAL ESTATE NUMBER 073849-0005, IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 7, JACKSONVILLE FLORIDA, AS A LOCAL LANDMARK; DIRECTING THE CHIEF OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES TO NOTIFY THE APPLICANT, THE PROPERTY OWNER, AND THE PROPERTY APPRAISER OF THE LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION, AND TO RECORD THE LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION IN THE OFFICIAL RECORDS OF DUVAL COUNTY; DIRECTING THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER THE LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION ON THE ZONING ATLAS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Jacksonville City Council ("Council") enacted Chapter 307 (Historic Preservation), Ordinance Code, to facilitate the designation of landmarks and landmark sites, where appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the structure to be designated by this ordinance is the four story historic home of Thomas V. Porter, currently used as a commercial property, located at 501 North Julia Street ("Thomas Porter House"), Real Estate Number 073849-0005, in Council District 7; and

WHEREAS, constructed in 1902, and added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1976, the Thomas Porter House is one

of the few remaining historic homes in Jacksonville's downtown area and is a significant reminder of the City's historical and architectural heritage; and

WHEREAS, the residence was home to Thomas V. Porter, a significant Jacksonville businessman involved in wholesale groceries, banking, naval stores, real estate, and the citrus industry; and

WHEREAS, designed by Henry John Klutho, it is one of the finest examples of Klutho's classic revival style houses and is an exemplary structure amongst the modern buildings of downtown Jacksonville; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 307 (Historic Preservation), Ordinance Code, the Council has considered the issue of designating the Thomas Porter House as a landmark, taking into consideration its importance and historical value, as more fully set forth in the Designation Application, LM-21-05, and Staff Report of the Historic Preservation Section of the Planning and Development Department, a copy of which is On File with Legislative Services, and incorporated by reference herein (the "Application and Staff Report"); and

WHEREAS, all public notice and public hearing requirements have been met for designating the Thomas Porter House as a local landmark; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2021, the Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission reviewed and recommended approval of the landmark designation; and

WHEREAS, the property owner is in support of the landmark designation; and

WHEREAS, having met the requisite criteria, the Council finds that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Jacksonville to designate the Thomas Porter House as a local

landmark, in furtherance of historic preservation and protection; now, therefore

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

Section 1. Designation of Local Landmark. Pursuant to Chapter 307 (Historic Preservation), Ordinance Code, the Council hereby designates the Thomas Porter House located at 510 North Julia Street, Real Estate Number 073849-0005, in Council District 7, as a local landmark.

Section 2. Satisfaction of Requisite Criteria. The Council hereby finds that Thomas Porter House meets six (6) of the requisite criteria set forth in Section 307.104(j), Ordinance Code, as more fully set forth in the Application and Staff Report.

Section 3. Notice of Landmark Designation. Pursuant to Section 307.104(m), Ordinance Code, the Council hereby directs the Chief of Legislative Services, as designee of the Council Secretary, to notify the applicant, the property owner, and the Property Appraiser of the designation of the landmark.

Section 4. Recording of Landmark Designation. The Council hereby directs the Chief of Legislative Services to record this ordinance in the official records for Duval County, Florida.

Section 5. Landmark Designation on Zoning Atlas. Pursuant to Section 307.104(n), Ordinance Code, the Council hereby directs the Zoning Administrator, as designee of the Director of the Planning and Development Department, to enter the local landmark designation on the Zoning Atlas, in accordance with Section 656.203, Ordinance Code.

Section 6. Effective Date. The enactment of this ordinance shall be deemed to constitute a quasi-judicial action of the Council and therefore shall become effective upon signature by the Council President and Council Secretary.

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3 /s/Kealey West
4 Office of General Counsel
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