Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Mayor:

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See B.T. 21-114

(a) Appropriated from:

ORDINANCE 2021-719

ΑN APPROPRIATING \$324,509.00 ORDINANCE (\$260,000.00 IN GRANT FUNDS FROM AMERICORPS SENIORS, FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE, AND A \$64,509.00 CASH MATCH FROM THE CITY) FOR THE DUVAL COUNTY SENIOR COMPANION PROGRAM (THE "PROGRAM"), WHICH PROVIDES VOLUNTEER ASSISTANCE FOR SENIORS AGED 60 YEARS AND OLDER WHO HAVE ONE OR MORE PHYSICAL OR MENTAL HEALTH LIMITATIONS TO ALLOW THEM TO MAINTAIN A HIGHER LEVEL OF INDEPENDENT LIVING, AS INITIATED BY B.T. 21-114; PURPOSE APPROPRIATION; AUTHORIZING A CLERICAL SUPPORT AIDE III POSITION, AS INITIATED BY R.C. 21-173; PROVIDING FOR CITY OVERSIGHT BY THE SENIOR SERVICES DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

Section 1. Appropriation. For the 2021-2022 fiscal year, within the City's budget, there is hereby appropriated the indicated sum from the account(s) listed in subsection (a) to the account(s) listed in subsection (b):

(B.T. 21-114, attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** and incorporated herein by this reference):

\$324,509.00

(b) Appropriated to:

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\$324,509.00

(c) Explanation of Appropriation:

The funding above comprises \$260,000.00 in grant funds (the "Grant") from AmeriCorps Seniors (formerly known as the Corporation for National and Community Service) ("AmeriCorps") and an additional appropriation of \$64,509.00 from the City, for the Duval County Senior Companion Program (the "Program"). The Grant period commences July 1, 2021 and ends June 30, 2024.

Section 2. Purpose. The purpose of the appropriation in Section 1 is to provide funding for the Program which focuses on providing aid and friendship to older adults who have difficulty with daily living tasks by connecting eligible seniors with Program volunteers. The Program serves seniors aged 60 years and older who have one or more physical, emotional, or mental health limitations and who need assistance to achieve and maintain a higher level of independent living. Program volunteers will visit the seniors 3 to 4 days a week, for a minimum of 4 hours, to provide companionship and assistance and a broader opportunity for social networking. Grant and matching funds will be used for Program staff salary and benefits, volunteer stipends, meals and mileage, volunteer recognition events, supplies, training and travel. The Notice of Grant Award is attached hereto as **Exhibit 2** and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 3. Approval of Position. There is hereby approved the Clerical Support Aide III position more fully described in R.C. 21-173, attached hereto as **Exhibit 3** and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 4. Oversight Department. The Senior Services

Division of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services

shall oversee administration of the Grant and shall provide oversight 1 of the Program and position described herein. 2 3 Section 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective 4 5 without the Mayor's signature. 6 7 Form Approved: 8 9 /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos 10 Office of General Counsel Legislation prepared by: Mary E. Staffopoulos 11 12 GC-#1453983-v4-Duval County Senior Companion Program (BT21-114) (RC21-173).docx