

1 Introduced by Council Member Carlucci and Co-Sponsored by CM's Salem,
2 Becton, Morgan, Diamond, Bowman, Newby, Dennis, Priestly Jackson
3 Cumber & Freeman:
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6 **RESOLUTION 2021-724-A**

7 A RESOLUTION DECLARING OCTOBER AS BREAST CANCER
8 ACTION MONTH IN JACKSONVILLE AND ENCOURAGING ALL
9 CITIZENS TO SUPPORT EFFORTS TO RAISE AWARENESS
10 OF AND EXPAND ACCESS TO BREAST CANCER SCREENING
11 AND TREATMENTS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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13 **WHEREAS**, October 2021 marks 36 years that National Breast Cancer
14 Awareness Month has educated women about early breast cancer
15 detection, diagnosis, and treatment, highlighting the importance of
16 awareness that leads to action; and

17 **WHEREAS**, breast cancer is the most common cancer among women in
18 the United States, and one in 8 women, and one in 833 men, will be
19 diagnosed with breast cancer in their lifetime; and

20 **WHEREAS**, every two minutes a woman in the United States is
21 diagnosed with breast cancer, and 85 percent of women diagnosed with
22 breast cancers have no family history of the disease; and

23 **WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Society estimates that in 2021,
24 more than 280,000 women will be diagnosed with invasive breast cancer,
25 and more than 40,000 will die due to the disease, which early
26 detection can render 98 percent treatable; and

27 **WHEREAS**, the two most common barriers to life-saving screening
28 are lack of financial means and access to transportation. Due to the
29 current unprecedented times, these barriers have become even more
30 pronounced; and

31 **WHEREAS**, in 2020, Pink Ribbon Jax raised funds toward a 3D-

1 Mobile Mammogram Bus for Baptist Health and stage III clinical trials
2 for the breast cancer vaccine for Mayo Clinic, Jacksonville. This
3 year, on its 15th anniversary, Pink Ribbon Jax is expanding access to
4 life-saving mammograms for those in need and renewing its commitment
5 to prevention, detection, and treatment of breast cancer; now
6 therefore

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

8 **Section 1.** The City Council hereby declares October 2021 to
9 be Breast Cancer Action Month in Jacksonville and encourages all
10 citizens to support efforts to raise awareness of and access to breast
11 cancer screening and treatments, as well as considering their own
12 health and risk for the disease; and encourages communities and
13 businesses across the city to show their solidarity by "turning
14 Jacksonville pink" for breast cancer awareness.

15 **Section 2. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become
16 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
17 without the Mayor's signature.

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19 Form Approved:

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21 /s/ Paige H. Johnston

22 Office of General Counsel

23 Legislation Prepared By: Jeff Clements, City Council Research

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