

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: Since 1996, the Tom Coughlin Jay Fund Foundation has supported more than 5,000 families with children battling cancer in Northeast Florida and the New York/New Jersey metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS: Coach Tom Coughlin created the foundation in honor of Jay McGillis, a young man on his team at Boston College who was diagnosed with leukemia and, within eight months, lost his battle in 1992. Coach Coughlin observed the financial and emotional toll on McGillis' family and vowed to help others in the pediatric cancer community; and

WHEREAS: Nearly 300 children in Jacksonville are currently undergoing treatment for cancer, and another 100 local children will be diagnosed this year; and

WHEREAS: Since its inception, the Jacksonville-based Jay Fund has given more than \$10 million in direct support to patients and their families and to improve their treatment experiences at both Nemours Children's Specialty Care and Wolfson Children's Hospital; and

WHEREAS: With the support of the Tom Coughlin Jay Fund Foundation, local families are able to focus on their children's health. Its programs not only assist with financial needs – from household expenses to college scholarships for patients and survivors – but also provide for emotional needs with fun, memory-making activities and quality of life treatment facilities.

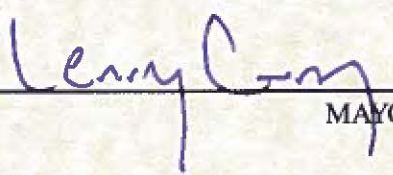
NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim September 5, 2018 as

TOM COUGHLIN JAY FUND DAY

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to join me in thanking the foundation for its impact on the lives of local children and their families in the pediatric cancer community.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 19th day of July
in the year Two Thousand 18


MAYOR

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA