

DATE: November 7, 2019

**The Honorable Lenny Curry Mayor
117 West Duval Street, Suite 400
Jacksonville, FL 32202**

Dear Mayor Curry:

We understand the action to sale JEA will be a monumental change for our city. We envision the positive impact this sale can have now and for generations to come. In order for the impact to be felt by all there are commitments that must be made and kept. There were improvement promises made in the past as part of the "Better Jacksonville" that didn't fully come to fruition for citizens in the Northwest quadrant that we would like to see fulfilled with the proceeds of this proposed sale.

We commend you for your statements ensuring the public's input in any decision to sell JEA. The requirements set forth by the CEO of JEA, the Board of Directors and you stipulated that if any sale were to occur there would be no rate increases for at least three years, no employee layoffs, and the protection of employee pensions. These are critically important commitments to our communities and for those currently working at the JEA.

We believe the sale of JEA could be very beneficial to Jacksonville, if done right. We also believe if the sale doesn't occur and JEA could get out of the terrible Plant Vogtle agreement it would be promising as well. Success in this process means keeping the commitments outlined by yourself and the JEA board and also protecting the voice of the City Council and the public they represent. Throughout this process our local elected officials and citizens must have a seat at the table in whatever decision is ultimately made. Forming a Community Advisory Board to consist of Clergy, Community Leaders and Citizens would prove to be a great way to show transparency throughout this process.

The minimum \$6 billion payment Jacksonville would receive for selling JEA would allow the city to complete infrastructure projects, balance the budget, invest in future infrastructure projects and fulfill the promises made to the citizens of the Northwest Quadrant in the past.

Communities in the Northwest Quadrant have been waiting for 50+ years for the promises to be kept, and the sale of JEA offers to perfect opportunity for the city to make good on those promises. Our residents desperately need investments in better roads, drainage, underground utilities. We deserve investments that would create more jobs, end grocery store closings and add more community banking opportunities. These investments would dramatically improve the quality of life for the Northside residents and curb the crime problem that is far too pervasive on our streets.

As pastors, we counsel our congregants daily about community issues that will have an effect on their way of life, this sale is happens to be great topic of interest. Our parishioners worry about keeping a roof over their heads and providing food for their families and they are encouraged by discussions of lower utility bills and jobs. This is an important moment for Jacksonville, a decision of great magnitude and an opportunity to right promises of the past. We ask that the Northwest Quadrant be remembered and proper funding be earmarked for the improvement of this area if a sale of JEA occurs.

Thank you for your consideration of our appeal and may God bless and guide you as our Mayor.

Sincerely,

Pastor T.L. Brisbane Sr.

CC: The Honorable Joyce Morgan
The Honorable Al Ferraro
The Honorable Aaron Bowman
The Honorable Scott Wilson
The Honorable LeAnna Cumber
The Honorable Michael Boylan

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Thank you for your consideration of our appeal and may God bless and guide you as our Mayor (ONE CITY, ONE JAX)

Sincerely,

Robert LeCount, Jr.

DIVINE POWER MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

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Pastor Steve Wilson
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As you know, the sale or no sale of JEA will be a monumental event in the city of Jacksonville. We want it to have a positive impact on generations to come. But, in order to do that, promises must be kept- those that are being made now and those that were made in the past.

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Thank you for your consideration of our appeal and may God bless and guide you as our Mayor (ONE CITY, ONE JAX)

Yours In Christ,

Pastor Steve Wilson

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Ephesians Missionary Baptist Church

1841 West 3rd Street
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