

**WHEREAS**, Penney Retirement Community in Penney Farms, Florida, celebrated 100 years of service, faith, and purposeful living at its official Centennial Gala this year; and

**WHEREAS**, the community was founded in 1926 by James Cash Penney, founder of the J.C. Penney Company, as Memorial Home Community to provide a Christian home for retired pastors, missionaries, church workers, and YMCA workers where they could live with dignity, purpose, and fellowship; and

**WHEREAS**, now named Penney Retirement Community in honor of Mr. Penney following his passing in 1971, residents and staff continue to uphold Mr. Penney’s enduring principles of faith, fellowship, service, and the Golden Rule: “Do unto others as you would have them do unto you”; and

**WHEREAS**, since its incorporation on June 22, 1926, the community has enriched the lives of its residents through compassionate care, volunteerism, stewardship, kindness, and spiritual growth—a true testament to the remarkable legacy of James Cash Penney; and

**WHEREAS**, today, Penney Retirement Community remains a thriving, not-for-profit Christian continuing care retirement community serving more than 540 residents from all walks of life who continue to embrace a lifestyle centered on purposeful living and service to others.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of County Commissioners of Clay County, Florida, does hereby recognize and celebrate

## **PENNEY RETIREMENT COMMUNITY’S CENTENNIAL**

and extend sincere congratulations and gratitude to its residents, leadership, staff, volunteers, and supporters for a century of faithful service and enduring commitment to the values upon which the community was founded 100 years ago.

**DULY ADOPTED** by the Board of County Commissioners, Clay County, Florida, this 9th day of June 2026.

**ATTEST:**

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Tara S. Green  
Clerk of Court & Comptroller  
Ex Officio Clerk of the Board

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