# RESOLUTION NO. 2025-008

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CENTURY, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING A CENTURY YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL (YAC) AND A CENTURY YOUTH GOVERNMENT DAY OR SEMESTER PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR PURPOSE, STRUCTURE, AND PARTICIPATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council of the Town of Century recognizes the importance of engaging youth in local government, fostering civic responsibility, and encouraging future community leadership; and

**WHEREAS**, providing structured opportunities for middle and high school students to participate in municipal activities strengthens the relationship between the Town and its younger residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council desires to implement both a Youth Advisory Council and a Youth Government Day or Semester Program to promote education, leadership, and public service among Century's youth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CENTURY, FLORIDA:

#### Section 1. Century Youth Advisory Council (YAC)

The Century Youth Advisory Council (YAC) is hereby established as an official advisory group composed of local middle and high school students. The purpose of the YAC is to:

- Provide input on youth-related issues and community projects;
- - Attend meetings, engage in civic learning opportunities, and develop recommendations to present to the Town Council;
- Represent youth voices in local government and help shape policies that affect young residents.

Membership shall be composed of students residing in the Town or attending local schools, selected through an application or nomination process approved by the Town Council.

#### Section 2. Century Youth Government Day or Semester Program

The Century Youth Government Day or Semester Program is hereby established as a short-term civic engagement opportunity for students. This program will:

 Allow students to shadow Town officials and staff for a day or over the course of a semester;

- - Include a mock Town Council session and a question-and-answer forum with elected officials;
- - Serve as an introductory experience to municipal government for students not yet ready for participation in a standing council.

## **Section 3. Implementation**

The Town Manager and Town Clerk are hereby authorized to develop procedures and guidelines for the selection, organization, and implementation of the YAC and the Youth Government Day or Semester Program, and to promote the programs in collaboration with local schools and community organizations.

### **Section 4. Effective Date**

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the Town Council.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Century, Florida, this **5th** day of **August**, 2025.

APPROVED:
Benjamin Boutwell, Mayor
Town of Century, Florida
ATTEST:
Carrie Moore, Town Clerk
Town of Century, Florida