

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in 1992 the City of Alexandria established the Flora Krause Casey Public Health Award to recognize individuals who are dedicated to improving the health of the Alexandria Community with a demonstrated commitment to the medically needy of the City; and

WHEREAS, Flora Krause Casey's life work helped provide medical care for the low-income residents of Alexandria, integrate the City during an era when such ideas were controversial, and foster the volunteer spirit of the community in a way that made Alexandria a better place to live; and

WHEREAS, the spirit of Flora Krause Casey lives today in the many good works of community health-minded individuals in Alexandria; and

WHEREAS, Brent T. Minor has dedicated himself to public service, with a special commitment to improving the health and well-being of persons living with HIV/AIDS; and

WHEREAS, cumulatively through calendar year 2001, there have been 1,437 reported cases of HIV-infected persons that resided in Alexandria; and

WHEREAS, Brent T. Minor, as a person living with HIV/AIDS, understands the impact of this disease on the lives of Alexandrians, Washington area residents, the American public and countries worldwide; and

WHEREAS, Brent T. Minor has served this community in many ways beginning in 1991 with his appointment to the Alexandria Task Force on AIDS, now called the Alexandria Commission on AIDS. Brent is the current chair of the Commission, a position he has held twice previously, and he has lead Alexandria's planning efforts to identify the needs of persons living with HIV/AIDS and identifying service gaps in reaching persons at risk for HIV infection; and

WHEREAS, Brent T. Minor has served with distinction on boards and commissions within and without Alexandria, including the Northern Virginia HIV Consortium, the Metropolitan Washington Regional HIV Health Services Planning Council, the D.C. Mayor's AIDS Advisory Committee, and in recent years by appointment from Presidents Clinton and Bush to the Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS; and

WHEREAS, Brent T. Minor has worked for Alexandria by volunteering his time and special knowledge of local, regional, and national public health issues, especially HIV/AIDS; and

WHEREAS, Brent T. Minor has placed the interests of others ahead of his own so that persons living with HIV/AIDS live longer, healthier lives; and

WHEREAS, the Alexandria Public Health Advisory Commission, upon recognizing Brent T. Minor for his contributions to the health and welfare of the citizens of Alexandria, commend to him the 2002 Flora Krause Casey Public Health Award;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KERRY J. DONLEY, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby recognize Brent T. Minor for his exceptional part in improving the health and the quality of life for the residents of the Alexandria community, by awarding him the 2002 Flora Krause Casey Public Health Award.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 23rd day of April 2002.

KERRY J. DONLEY **MAYOR**
On behalf of the City Council
of Alexandria, Virginia

ATTEST:

Beverly I. Jett, CMC City Clerk

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WHEREAS, Roger Pollard has, for over ten years, volunteered his time, knowledge and training talents in support of the Alexandria Chapter of the American Red Cross; and

WHEREAS, Roger Pollard has been an outstanding advocate for HIV/AIDS education and prevention, and has chosen to make a difference by teaching others about HIV/AIDS; and

WHEREAS, Roger Pollard has become the mentor of many young people in Alexandria who constitute a network of Peer Educators committed to teaching those most vulnerable to becoming infected, youth aged 14-25, about HIV/AIDS; and

WHEREAS, Roger Pollard's volunteer efforts have taken such forms as an HIV/AIDS Instructor Trainer for the American Red Cross, curriculum developer for the Peer Education Program, recruiter of Peer Educators in Alexandria, fundraiser to allow local Peer Educators to attend Ryan White National Youth Conferences on HIV/AIDS, chairman of the HIV Education Steering Committee of the Alexandria Chapter of the American Red Cross, volunteer for the Red Cross Waterfront Festival, and organizer of Junior Red Cross programs at recreation centers throughout Alexandria; and

WHEREAS, Roger Pollard, by the testimony of the young people he cares so much about, has imparted greater confidence, leadership skills and life saving knowledge to the emerging generation of young, community-minded citizens; and

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