

**PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, Alexandria Technology Achievement Week, March 15-19, is a showcase for Alexandria's expanding technology sector, including nearly 350 technology firms that employ more than 12,750 employees; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Alexandria has joined with the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce and the Alexandria Economic Development Partnership, Inc., to sponsor the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Alexandria Technology Achievement Award; and

**WHEREAS**, the three finalists for the 2004 Alexandria Technology Achievement Award, as selected by a panel of distinguished judges, are:

**DEFENSE GROUP, INCORPORATED** for developing and fielding the Chemical and Biological Response Aid (CoBRA) decision support tool, which provides emergency responders with the interactive tools, guides, checklists, procedures, training materials and wireless reporting capabilities needed to effectively respond to and manage Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) incidents and large-scale emergencies. The tool is currently used by federal, state and local agencies, as well as the FBI, CIA, MCI, Bristol-Myers Squibb and the Pentagon.

**REDMON GROUP, INCORPORATED** for designing and developing an innovative and easy-to-use suite of information technologies called CommuterWare for the transportation industry, which provides seamless access to useful information for both commuters and transportation providers. Technology allows travelers to receive real-time information, on palm devices and mobile phones, related to traffic situations, services delays and disruptions, including personalized information or alerts based on a traveler's particular route.

**THE TEMPLAR CORPORATION, A CHOICEPOINT COMPANY** for offering advanced and secure information management solutions that allow law enforcement, criminal justice and emergency management organizations to easily and rapidly share critical information and improve the government's ability to proactively deter and effectively respond to threats to public safety and security. Templar provides information sharing software solutions to government, which results in improvements in investigating and solving crimes, setting appropriate sentences in court, and supporting counter-drug and counter-terrorism intelligence programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council wishes to recognize the importance of our technology sector to the City, its economic health, and its citizens;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM D. EUILLE**, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby proclaim this week to be "Alexandria Technology Achievement Week" and congratulate The Defense Group, Redmon Group and The Templar Corporation for their outstanding technological achievements.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of March 2004.

**WILLIAM D. EUILLE** **MAYOR**

On behalf of the City Council  
of Alexandria, Virginia

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC City Clerk