

**PROCLAMATION**

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*WHEREAS, Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) are a valuable partner with emergency services ; and*

*WHEREAS, the goal of CERT is for emergency personnel to train members of neighborhoods, community organizations, or workplaces in basic response skills; and*

*WHEREAS, the volunteer members of CERT are ready to provide assistance to others by applying basic response skills to those in need 24-hours a day, seven days a week; and*

*WHEREAS, the members of CERT are volunteers and engage in many hours of training and continuing education to enhance their response skills; and*

*WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of CERT volunteers who have given their time to receive this training; and*

*WHEREAS, CERT members can help save and sustain lives following a disaster until help arrives; and*

*WHEREAS, CERT members can also apply these skills to daily emergencies; and*

*WHEREAS, Alexandrians will benefit from the knowledge and skills of these trained individuals daily and during disasters;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM D. EUILLE, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby recognize all volunteers who have graduated from CERT training and are prepared to assist their City in responding to emergencies and encourage all members of the community to participate in CERT training.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 8th day of June, 2004.*

**WILLIAM D. EUILLE      MAYOR**

*On behalf of the City Council  
of Alexandria, Virginia*

ATTEST:

*Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC    City Clerk*