

**PROCLAMATION**

*WHEREAS, Gifts in Kind International was founded 20 years ago in Alexandria and is a wonderful example of how an Alexandria-based organization is making a positive impact on communities everywhere; and*

*WHEREAS, Gifts in Kind is one of the most cost effective charities in the country; and*

*WHEREAS, in 2002, Gifts in Kind International distributed nearly \$800 million in product donations and did it all with administrative costs of less than one percent; and*

*WHEREAS, major companies from throughout the region contribute to Gifts in Kind; and*

*WHEREAS, the support of donor companies and local programs has had an enormous impact on the lives of disadvantaged people across the globe; and*

*WHEREAS, for the next 20 years Gifts in Kind International will continue to grow and to serve the needy and be proud to be a part of the Commonwealth and of Alexandria.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM D. EUILLE, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council do hereby proclaim the week of November 17 to November 21, 2003 as:*

**“GIFTS IN KIND INTERNATIONAL WEEK”**

*in the City of Alexandria and hereby congratulate Gifts in Kind and its dedicated staff for making a difference in the lives of so many for the last 20 years.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 11<sup>th</sup> day of November 2003.*

**WILLIAM D. EUILLE    MAYOR**  
*On behalf of the City Council  
of Alexandria, Virginia*

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC    City Clerk