

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, George Washington, the father of our county, was an active and prominent Alexandria citizen; and

WHEREAS, George Washington, our nation's first president, attended birthnight balls held in his honor with Alexandria citizens and visitors at Gadsby's Tavern; and

WHEREAS, the George Washington Birthday Committee was established by City Council to plan and carry out the City's annual George Washington Birthday Celebration; and

WHEREAS, the George Washington Birthday Committee supports a variety of events throughout the month of February celebrating the life of George Washington; and

WHEREAS, these events include a birthnight ball, a 10K foot race, George Washington Symposium, a historical re-enactment, walking tours, and the nation's largest George Washington Birthday Parade; and

WHEREAS, these events can be enjoyed by all citizens and visitors to our City; and

WHEREAS, this year, Governor Mark Warner has accepted the City's invitation to serve as the Grand Marshall of the George Washington Birthday Parade; and

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 month of February to be:

"GEORGE WASHINGTON BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION MONTH"

in honor of the 273rd birthday of our Country's first president; and

FURTHER, I hereby welcome all visitors to our City and urge all citizens of the City to attend and to enjoy the activities offered during the month of February.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 25th day of January 2005.

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

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC City Clerk