

*WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria has a long history of commitment to providing life supporting education to the people who live and work in Alexandria; and*

*WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria has been an integral partner in teaching basic life supporting first aid techniques to the City's population, ranging from school children to senior adults, through such public and private entities as the Alexandria Chapter of the American Red Cross and the Alexandria Fire Department; and*

*WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria is proud of the high quality of service and the dedication its employees demonstrate in maintaining and improving the quality of life of the people of Alexandria; and*

*WHEREAS, many City of Alexandria work sites are equipped with Automatic External Defibrillators (AED) and have employees trained in their use and in addition, regularly offers CPR training to City employees; and*

*WHEREAS, the City's Office of Emergency Preparedness provides life safety training to members of the community through its outreach programs; and*

*WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria espouses the values set forth by the Save A Life Foundation, which include "training and developing people, starting with schoolchildren, to be active bystanders equipped with basic Life Supporting First Aid skills to aid during emergencies;" and*

*WHEREAS, the Save A Life Foundation defines basic Life Supporting First Aid Techniques to be CPR, the Heimlich maneuver, and the use of an AED as being essential in maintaining life prior to EMS arrival; and*

*WHEREAS, the U.S. Conference of Mayors passed a resolution presented by the Save A Life Foundation calling for the need for communities to create Community Response System Initiative (CRSI) committees to encourage citizens, including children in grades K - 12, to learn Life Supporting First Aid skills in case of emergency; and*

*WHEREAS, the Save A Life Foundation, an affiliate of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, encourages all municipalities to recognize Save A Life Month in conjunction with Homeland Security's National Preparedness Month, a nationwide effort to encourage Americans to prepare for emergencies; and*

*WHEREAS, the Save A Life Foundation will coordinate an awareness campaign this year, including billboard advertisements for Save A Life Month to promote Life Supporting First Aid training in major cities; and*

*WHEREAS, the month of September 2006 has been designated as National Save A life Month;*

*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 September 2006 as:*

**"SAVE A LIFE MONTH"**

*in the City of Alexandria.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September 2006.*

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

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC City Clerk