

WHEREAS, the Scottish Christmas Walk Parade was started 36 years ago by the Campagna Center in partnership with the Saint Andrew's Society of Washington, D.C., and the City of Alexandria, to celebrate our City's Scottish heritage, our unique quality of life, and the mission of the Campagna Center; and

WHEREAS, for 61 years, the Campagna Center has drawn together the resources of the Alexandria community to provide programs that help children become productive adults and has provided an arena for all Alexandrians (or volunteers) to share their talents and skills in support of their community; and continued the important work of Betty Wright, Elizabeth Ann Campagna, Katherine Morrison, and other community activists who, through their vision, created a safe haven in the Alexandria community where vulnerable families and children could flourish; and

WHEREAS, the Campagna Center and the City of Alexandria are celebrating 40 years of Alexandria Head Start, a comprehensive child development program for over 300 low-income children that improved school readiness skills and helps break the cycle of poverty; and

WHEREAS, the Campagna Center and the City of Alexandria are celebrating 30 years of Campagna Kids, a Nationally Accredited before-and-after-school program that serves 800 children at 12 sites across the City; and

WHEREAS, the dedicated staff of the Campagna Center influence the lives of more than 1500 children each day through Early Head Start, Alexandria Head Start, Campagna Kids, Campagna Learning Center, Wright to Read, Building Better Futures, and Retired & Senior Volunteer Program; and

WHEREAS, the theme of the 36th Annual Scottish Christmas Walk is "More than a Weekend, an Alexandria Tradition"; and

WHEREAS, the following corporations are actively supporting the Campagna Center through their sponsorship of the 36th Annual Scottish Christmas Walk Weekend: Capital One, Suburban Printing Services, Altria Corporate Services, Capital Automotive REIT, 7-Eleven, Donnie Wintermute, PNC Bank, SunTrust, Sue and Marty Goodhart, Allen Corporation, Christine Garner, Landmark Mall, The Law Offices of Mark Allen, Land, Clark, Carroll, Mendelson & Blair, Murphy & Associates, Downtown Baptist Church, Alexandria Chamber of Commerce, The Alexandria Gazette Packet and Connection Newspapers, Mount Vernon Voice, Potomac News and Comcast Cable.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM D. EUILLE, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby proclaim December 2, 2006, as the:

"36th ANNIVERSARY OF THE CAMPAGNA CENTER'S SCOTTISH CHRISTMAS WALK"

and encourage the citizens of Alexandria to observe this with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 14th day of November 2006.

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

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC City Clerk