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PROCLAMATION

***WHEREAS**, the local and national contributions of women in history deserve recognition and celebration; and*

***WHEREAS**, all women benefit from the profound and undeniable impact of the Women's Rights Movement, and are afforded the opportunity to make contributions to the growth and strength of our City; and*

***WHEREAS**, the Commission for Women will honor women for their contributions to the quality of life in Alexandria at its annual Salute to Women Awards Banquet on March 25; and*

***WHEREAS**, the Women's History Project, developed for the City's 250th Anniversary, has served as a catalyst for the ongoing research and recognition of the many women of Alexandria's past who have made enduring contributions to our City; and*

***WHEREAS**, the Needs Assessment Study undertaken by the Commission for Women will serve as a blueprint for further understanding the needs of all women in the City of Alexandria;*

***NOW, THEREFORE, I, KERRY J. DONLEY,** Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of March 2002, as:*

"WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH"

in the City of Alexandria, and reaffirm the commitment of the City to women's rights in life and under the law and do commend all citizens to commemorate this month in gratitude for those women who have contributed to the life of the City and the nation where all have, by right, a position of equality, fairness, justice and freedom.

***IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 12th day of March 2002.*

KERRY J. DONLEY** **MAYOR
On behalf of the City Council
of Alexandria, Virginia

ATTEST:

Beverly I. Jett, CMC *City Clerk*