

**PROCLAMATION**

*WHEREAS, Alexandria is an historic, culturally rich destination that values its past as it celebrates its present and future; and*

*WHEREAS, From America's patriots to its Civil War soldiers to today's active duty military personnel, Alexandria honors the contributions of those who have served in our Nation's military to create and preserve freedom; and*

*WHEREAS, during World War II, Alexandria built three USO halls operated by more than 700 volunteers, who hosted thousands of military service personnel throughout the war; and*

*WHEREAS, on the occasion of the opening of the new National World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C., Alexandria joins our region and our nation in saluting the Greatest Generation; and*

*WHEREAS, the Alexandria Convention & Visitors Association, the City of Alexandria, and the USO of Metropolitan Washington will host a weekend of entertainment and community events in a City-wide tribute to those who served in the military and on the home front during World War II;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM D. EUILLE, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby recognize and proclaim July 16-18, 2004, as:*

**"ALEXANDRIA SALUTES! - A USO WEEKEND"**

*in the City of Alexandria and do urge all citizens to join in honoring America's Greatest Generation and all who serve or have served in the United States Armed Forces.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of June 2004.*

**WILLIAM D. EUILLE MAYOR**

*On behalf of the City Council  
of Alexandria, Virginia*

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC City Clerk