WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria government is committed to its values of respect, responsibility, communication, diversity and leadership and has instituted an award to honor individual employees or groups of employees who exemplify the City's values; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to recognize Taiwo (Debbie) Akinbami, a Public Safety Clerk who has worked for the City of Alexandria since February 18, 2002, as one of the most dependable and outstanding employees in the Alexandria Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Akinbami's remarkable accuracy in processing inmate record files has assured that an inmate is not incarcerated longer than necessary, and equally as important, she checks that an inmate is not released early thus avoiding potentially disastrous consequences to Alexandria residents and financial liability for the City; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her work as a Public Safety Clerk, for the past twelve months she has processed the caseload for a vacant Records Clerk position, saving the Sheriff's Office tens of thousands of dollars. Furthermore, Ms. Akinbami has gone above and beyond the call of duty by requesting additional work and assisting her peers with their caseload once her work was completed; and

WHEREAS, through her own dedication and initiative, she learned how to accurately complete and process the most difficult file records, thereby earning a promotion to Senior Records Clerk; and

WHEREAS, this efficient, caring, and tireless worker fully demonstrates the City's values and abundantly merits the selection as the City Stars! Award recipient;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM D. EUILLE, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby proclaim that a City Stars! Award is bestowed on:

"TAIWO AKINBAMI"

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 February 2006.

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

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC  City Clerk