PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, commuters who travel by bicycle employ a clean, quiet and efficient mode of transportation while saving on the fuel, maintenance, insurance and parking costs of driving to work; and

WHEREAS, bicycling to work incorporates a healthy form of exercise into one’s daily routine; and

WHEREAS, Alexandria promotes bicycles use with the Bicycle Transportation and Multi-use Trail Master Plan, bike maps, street bike racks, improved traffic signal tripping and trail improvements; and

WHEREAS, bicycles can replace automobiles for short trips, thereby helping the region meet the requirements of the Federal Clean Air Act of 1990; and

WHEREAS, those who bicycle to work do not experience parking shortages, traffic-related stress, nor contribute to traffic congestion; and

WHEREAS, the Alexandria Bicycle Committee has assisted in making the City as bike-friendly as it is today;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM D. EUILLE, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby proclaim May 19, 2006 as:

“BIKE TO WORK DAY”

in the City of Alexandria. I call upon our citizens to observe this event by commuting to work by bicycle this day, and to participate in the City’s Bike to Work Day event on Market Square on their morning bicycle commute.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 9th day of May 2006.

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

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC   City Clerk