EXHIBIT NO. 1

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Finance Director Daniel A. Neckel became the City's Director of Finance in 1986; and

WHEREAS, Dan helped create financial policies for the City that are considered model policies in local government finance; and

WHEREAS, as a result of Dan's efforts, the City tax collection process is one that both effectively collects over $400 million in taxes annually and is fair to every taxpayer; and

WHEREAS, the City has continued to remain one of the few AAA/Aaa rated jurisdictions in the country because of Dan's commitment to clear and accurate financial reporting; and

WHEREAS, Dan's diligence and insight in investments improved earnings at the City level and helped change State policy; and

WHEREAS, Dan's commitment to sound pension plans has improved the management of the City's pension system; and

WHEREAS, under Dan's direction, the Alexandria Finance Department became a respected leader in financial reporting, including being one of the first jurisdictions in the country to implement GASB 34 which represented a major change in financial reporting; and

WHEREAS, Dan's strong commitment to the City is not limited to the City Finance Department but also includes long-time leadership of the Alexandria Credit Union; and

WHEREAS, Dan always goes out of his way to be fair to every resident, taxpayer, employee and retiree;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM D. EUILLE, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby recognize:

"DANIEL A. NECKEL"

Director of Finance for his outstanding service to the City of Alexandria and its Finance Department and wish him a happy and healthy retirement.

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 December 2006.

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

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC  City Clerk