WHEREAS, Barbara Harman, Founder of the Catalogue for Philanthropy of Greater Washington, had a vision to offer donors a vetted list of excellent, trustworthy local nonprofits; and

WHEREAS, the Catalogue for Philanthropy was created in 2003 to instill passion, awareness and respect for philanthropy; and

WHEREAS, the Catalogue for Philanthropy serves as a vehicle to promote charitable giving by the public and private sector; and

WHEREAS, the Catalogue for Philanthropy is all about small charities – those that typically are under-publicized and only known to a few; and

WHEREAS, 68 charities were selected for the 2007/2008 Catalogue by fifty-five reviewers from a cross-section of foundations, businesses and advocacy organizations, who evaluate applications for distinction, efficacy, merit, accomplishments, transparency and accountability; and

WHEREAS, the Catalogue for Philanthropy is made possible thanks to support from generous donors including the Harman Family Foundation, Meyer Foundation, Morris and Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation, J. Willard and Alice S. Marriott Foundation, CGI, Chevy Chase Trust, and individual donors, among others; and

WHEREAS, six nonprofits who serve the citizens of Alexandria were selected by the Catalogue's reviewers as the best small nonprofits for 2007/2008 from among 250 applications; and

WHEREAS, these nonprofits include ALIVE!, Community Lodgings, Empowered Women International, Friends of Guest House, Literacy Council of Northern Virginia and Senior Services of Alexandria; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria is extremely proud of these local nonprofits and the invaluable service they provide to our community and are immensely thankful for the listings in the Catalogue for Philanthropy;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM D. EUILLE, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby proclaim that the Catalogue for Philanthropy, its Founder Barbara Harman, and all of its supporters are appreciated by the citizens of Alexandria and the people who benefit from these small nonprofits.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 25th day of March 2008.

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

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC  City Clerk
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