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*WHEREAS, COUNCILMAN LUDWIG P. GAINES has served on City Council for two terms from July 2003 until June 2009; and*

*WHEREAS, during his two terms on Council he has served on the National League of Cities Public Safety Committee, the Virginia Governor’s Emergency Preparedness Committee, the Virginia Municipal League General Laws Committee, the Washington Area Housing Partnership and the Alexandria Affordable Housing Task Force; and*

*WHEREAS, he is a member of and currently chairs the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) Metropolitan Development Policy Committee and has served on the Northern Virginia Regional Commission; and*

*WHEREAS, he has served on the COG Transportation Planning Board, the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission, and the Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association Board of Governors; and*

*WHEREAS, he is a member of the Mayor’s Pandemic Flu Committee and the Alexandria Economic Opportunities Commission, the Alexandria Citizens Corps Council and is a member and co-chair of the Alexandria Gang Prevention Community Task Force and the City’s Norfolk Southern Community Monitoring Group; and*

*WHEREAS, prior to serving on City Council, Councilman Gaines was a member of the Alexandria Circuit Court Jury Commission, the Planning Commission, the Alexandria Transit Company Board, the Carlyle Design Review Board, the Alexandria Landlord Tenant Relations Board, the Martin Luther King Memorial Committee and the Board of the INOVA Alexandria Hospital Foundation; and*

*WHEREAS, he also has served on the Alexandria Taxi Reform Task Force, the Recreation Needs Task Force and the Charles Houston Public Art Committee and he led the effort to establish the position of City Poet Laureate; and*

*WHEREAS, he has been a strong advocate for human rights and has been a member of many community organizations, including the Coalition to Save the Burke Library Branch, the Sierra Club, the Northern Virginia Regional Fatherhood Committee, the Northern Virginia Urban League, and the Alexandria NAACP and Virginia CARES; and*

*WHEREAS, as a member of Council he was a strong advocate for efficient and inclusive public transportation and improving pedestrian and bicycle access; and*

*WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council wishes to recognize Councilman Gaines for his service to the City and the region;*

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

**“COUNCILMAN LUDWIG P. GAINES”**

*for his strong commitment to the betterment of the City, and expresses their appreciation to Councilman Gaines for his outstanding service to the City of Alexandria and its citizens.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June 2009.*

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

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC    City Clerk