EXHIBIT NO. 1

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, September 2008 is recognized nationally as Emergency Preparedness Month; and

WHEREAS, Emergency Preparedness is intended to increase public awareness of the risks and planning necessary for all types of emergencies; and

WHEREAS, each of us must identify and understand the risks inherent to where we live and work, and take precautions to reduce those risks; and

WHEREAS, the educational outreach identifies the important role that residents and businesses play in lessening the economic and human impact of disasters; and

WHEREAS, September 2008 will begin a year long effort to educate every household and business in Alexandria in Emergency Preparedness; and

WHEREAS, Citizen Corps Council is leading the effort to partner organizations, such as Red Cross, CERT, and civic associations, to volunteer to prepare the Alexandria communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM D. EUILLE, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby recognize September 2008 as:

"ALEXANDRIA PREPARES MONTH"

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 September 2008.

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

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC  City Clerk