

WHEREAS, the Scottish Christmas Walk Parade was started 40 years ago by The Campagna Center in partnership with the Saint Andrew's Society of Washington, D.C., and the City of Alexandria, to celebrate our City's Scottish heritage, our unique quality of life, and the mission of The Campagna Center; and

WHEREAS, for 65 years, the Campagna Center has drawn together the resources of the Alexandria community to provide programs that help children become productive adults and has provided an arena for all Alexandrians (or volunteers) to share their talents and skills in support of their community; and continued the important work of Betty Wright, Elizabeth Anne Campagna, and other community activists who, through their vision, created a safe haven in the Alexandria community where all families and children could flourish; and

WHEREAS, The Campagna Center and the City of Alexandria are celebrating 44 years of Alexandria Head Start, a comprehensive child development program for more than 309 low-income children that improves school readiness skills and helps break the cycle of poverty; and

WHEREAS, The Campagna Center and the City of Alexandria are celebrating 34 years of Campagna Kids, a before- and after-school program that serves 800 children at 11 sites across the City; and

WHEREAS, the dedicated staff of The Campagna Center influence the lives of more than 1,700 children each day through Early Head Start, Alexandria Head Start, the Campagna Early Learning Center, Afternoon Adventures, Campagna Kids, Building Better Futures, and New Neighbors programs; and

WHEREAS, the theme of the 40th Annual Scottish Christmas Walk is "More than a Weekend...An Alexandria Tradition"; and

WHEREAS, the following corporations are actively supporting The Campagna Center through their sponsorship of the 40th Annual Scottish Christmas Walk Weekend: The Scottish Government; Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney PC; Christine Garner, Weichert, Realtors; Mazda North American Operations; Donnan C. Wintermute; Argy, Wiltse & Robinson; Clarke & Sampson; Mercer Trigiani; Burke & Herbert Bank and Trust; The Lukens Company; McEneaney Associates; National Beer Wholesalers Association; Sue Goodhart and the Goodhart Group; 7-Eleven, Inc.; Commercial Carpets of America; Focus Data Solutions; Johnson & Strachan Insurance; Krekeler Brower Wealth Advisors, LLC; Lindsay Automotive Group; McLaughlin Ryder Investments; Kathleen Mullaney DDS, FAGD; Murphy & Associates, Certified Public Accountants; Sextant Public Affairs; The Alexandria Gazette Packet; Comcast; Local Kicks; Mount Vernon Voice; the City of Alexandria, and the St. Andrew's Society of Washington, DC.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM D. EUILLE, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby proclaim December 4, 2010, as the:

"40th ANNIVERSARY OF THE CAMPAGNA CENTER'S SCOTTISH CHRISTMAS WALK"

and encourage the citizens of Alexandria to observe this with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 23rd day of November 2010.

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

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, MMC City Clerk