

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, George Washington, the father of our country, was an active and prominent citizen; and

WHEREAS, George Washington, our Nation's first president, attended birthnight balls held in his honor with Alexandria citizens and visitors at Gadsby's Tavern; and

WHEREAS, the George Washington Birthday Committee was established by City Council to plan and carry out the City's annual George Washington Birthday Celebration; and

WHEREAS, the George Washington Birthday Committee supports a variety of events throughout the month celebrating the life of George Washington; and

WHEREAS, these events include a birthnight ball, a 10-K foot race, a George Washington Symposium, a historical re-enactment, and the nation's largest George Washington Birthday Celebration Parade;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KERRY J. DONLEY, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of February, to be:

"GEORGE WASHINGTON BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION MONTH"

in honor of the 269th birthday of our Country's first president; and

FURTHER, I hereby welcome all visitors to our City and urge all citizens of the City to attend and to enjoy the activities offered during the month of February.

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 January 2001.

KERRY J. DONLEY **MAYOR**
*On behalf of the City Council
of Alexandria, Virginia*

ATTEST:

Beverly I. Jett, CMC City Clerk