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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, commuters who travel by bicycle employ a clean, quiet and efficient mode of transportation while saving on the fuel, maintenance, insurance and parking costs of driving to work; and

WHEREAS, bicycling to work incorporates a healthy form of exercise into one's daily routine; and

WHEREAS, Alexandria promotes bicycle use with the Bicycle Transportation and Multi-use Trail Master Plan, bike maps, street bike racks and trail improvements; and

WHEREAS, bicycles can replace automobiles for short trips, thereby helping the region meet the requirements of the Federal Clean Air Act of 1990; and

WHEREAS, those who bicycle to work do not experience parking shortages nor contribute to traffic congestion; and

WHEREAS, the Alexandria Bicycle Committee has assisted in making the City as bike-friendly as it is today;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KERRY J. DONLEY, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby proclaim May 3, 2002, as:

"BIKE TO WORK DAY"

in the City of Alexandria. I call upon our citizens to observe this event by commuting to work by bicycle this day, and to participate in the City's Bike to Work Day event on Market Square on their morning bicycle commute.

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 April 2002.

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

ATTEST:

Beverly I. Jett, CMC City Clerk

City of Alexandria, Virginia

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: APRIL 23, 2002

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

THROUGH: PHILIP SUNDERLAND, CITY MANAGER *PS*

FROM: RICHARD J. BAIER, P.E., DIRECTOR
TRANSPORTATION & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES *R. Baier*

SUBJECT: ANNUAL BIKE TO WORK DAY EVENT

Commuters who travel by bicycle employ a clean, quiet and efficient mode of transportation while saving on the fuel, maintenance, insurance and parking costs of driving to work. Bicycle commuting benefits both the individual and the community because it incorporates a healthy form of exercise into an individual's daily routine and does not contribute to traffic congestion, stress or parking demands.

Alexandria's *fourth annual* Bike to Work Day is scheduled for **Friday, May 3, 2002, from 6:45 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.** at Market Square. Upwards of 300 bicycle commuters are expected to attend this year's event on their morning commute into work. Food and prizes will be provided to participants. Alexandria was the first jurisdiction in the region to organize an annual Bike to Work Day (in 1999) and now 10 additional event sites throughout the region have been added.

The event sponsors include the Departments of Transportation & Environmental Services and Recreation, Parks & Cultural Activities; Alexandria Bicycle Committee; Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments; Washington Area Bicyclist Association; Spokes; Wheel Nuts; Bombay Curry Company; and St. Elmo's.

The majority of the bicycle commuters will be at the event at 7:15 a.m. before they take off for D.C. We look forward to seeing you there.

Attachment: 1. Bike to Work Day poster

cc: Michele Evans, Assistant City Manager for Council Relations and Administration
Rose Williams-Boyd, Director of Citizen Assistance
Sandra Whitmore, Director, Recreation, Parks, & Cultural Activities
Doug McCobb, Deputy Director/Transportation & Transit, T&ES
Bob Garbacz, Division Chief/Transportation, T&ES
Paul DeMaio, Traffic Calming Coordinator/Transportation, T&ES

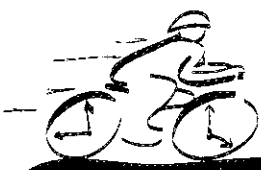
Free breakfast, T-shirt, chances to win a bicycle and other prizes. For more information and to register, go to www.wamya.org or call (202) 628-2500.

Join hundreds of bike commuters for

BIKE TO WORK DAY ON MAY 3rd!



Leesburg...
 College Park...
 Reston...
 Alexandria...
 Arlington...
 Silver Spring...
 Rockville...
 North Bethesda...
 Frederick...
 Bethesda...
 Downtown DC



Bike to Work Day 2002

Don't forget to register for **FREE** Guaranteed Ride Home benefits if you bike to work regularly at www.commuterconnections.org

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