EXHIBIT NO. 1

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PROCLAMATION

***WHEREAS**, the City of Alexandria is committed to promoting racial equality and justice as a fundamental aspect of a healthy community; and*

***WHEREAS**, the National League of Cities has urged local officials across the country to join together in a national campaign to promote racial equality and justice; and*

***WHEREAS**, by Act of Congress of the United States dated July 2, 1964, the Civil Rights Act of 1964 was adopted banning discrimination because of an individual's color, race, national origin, religion, or sex; and*

***WHEREAS**, by Act of Congress of the United States dated July 9, 1868, the 14th Amendment of the Constitution of the United States was adopted giving all persons born or naturalized in the United States the right to due process and equal protection under the law; and*

***WHEREAS**, the National League of Cities has encouraged local officials across the country to renew their commitment to ensuring racial equality and justice for all during the week of September 29, 2003, by reporting on successful programs and announcing action plans for the coming year; and*

***WHEREAS**, in recognition of Race Equality Week, the City of Alexandria reaffirms its commitment to ensuring racial equality and justice and to working with the National League of Cities to sustain this commitment throughout the country;*

***NOW, THEREFORE, I, William D. Euille**, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby declare the week of September 29, 2003 as:*

"RACE EQUALITY WEEK"

in the City of Alexandria and do urge all citizens of Alexandria to join together to support this effort.

***IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 23nd day of September 2003.*

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

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC *City Clerk*