EXHIBIT NO. 1

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, *1,006,970 women and 370,990 men are stalked annually in the United States; and*

WHEREAS, *1 in 12 women and 1 in 45 men will be stalked in their lifetimes, and the majority of victims are stalked by someone they know and with whom they have had an intimate relationship; and*

WHEREAS, *the Office on Women's Domestic Violence Program and the Commonwealth's Attorney's Victim/Witness Assistance Program provided services to nearly 400 stalking victims from Fiscal Year 2000 to 2004; and*

WHEREAS, *stalking victims experience anxiety, insomnia, social dysfunction, lost work hours and productivity, and severe depression at a much higher rate than the general population; and*

WHEREAS, *stalking victims are forced to take drastic measures to protect themselves, such as relocating, changing their address, changing their identities, changing jobs, and obtaining protection orders; and*

WHEREAS, *the Office on Women's Domestic Violence Program, the Commonwealth's Attorney's Victim/Witness Assistance Program and the Alexandria Police Department are joining forces with national organizations, victim service providers, criminal justice officials, and concerned citizens throughout Alexandria and America to observe Stalking Awareness Month;*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM D. EUILLE, *Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of January 2005, as:*

"STALKING AWARENESS MONTH"

in the City of Alexandria and reaffirm the commitment of the City to the reduction and eventual elimination of violence in our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, *I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 11th day of January 2005.*

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

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC *City Clerk*