

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, building safety and fire prevention officials are at work year round to guide the safe construction of buildings; and

WHEREAS, the dedicated members of the Alexandria Fire Department, including building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders and others in the construction industry, develop and enforce codes to safeguard Americans in the buildings where we live, work, play and learn; and

WHEREAS, Building Safety Week is an excellent opportunity to educate the public and it is a perfect time to increase public awareness of the role building safety and fire prevention officials, local and state building departments, and federal agencies play in protecting lives and property; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme, "Building a Safer World Together," encourages all Americans to raise awareness of building safety, and everyone can take appropriate steps to ensure that the places where we live, work, play and learn are safe. Countless lives have been saved because of the building safety codes adopted and enforced by local and state agencies; and

WHEREAS, this year, as we observe Building Safety Week, we ask all Americans to consider projects to improve building safety at home and in the community, and to recognize the local building safety and fire prevention officials and the important role that they play in public safety.

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 week of May 7 - 13, 2006 as:

"BUILDING SAFETY WEEK"

in the City of Alexandria and recognize the Alexandria Fire Department Code Enforcement Division for their outstanding contribution and dedication to the City's building safety efforts.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 25th day of April 2006.

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

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC City Clerk