

**PROCLAMATION**

*WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria government is committed to its values and has instituted an award to honor individual employees or groups of employees who exemplify the City's values; and*

*WHEREAS, the City wishes to recognize Mr. Ray Brown, who has worked since January 22, 2005 as Superintendent of Street Maintenance for the Department of Transportation and Environmental Services and who has been nominated as a City Star on two occasions within a 5-month period; and*

*WHEREAS, Mr. Ray Brown's customer service skills have been recognized by citizens of the Yates Gardens neighborhood because of his leadership in sidewalk repair on the 800 block of Lee Street. Mr. Brown has used his knowledge of City structure and standards, his bilingual Spanish and English language skills and his sense of humor to defuse a potentially problematic situation; and*

*WHEREAS, in addition to his efforts to explain the work process to members of 33 households in Yates Gardens, under Mr. Ray Brown's supervision, the high quality of brick masonry on the street and sidewalk added curb appeal to the entire neighborhood; and*

*WHEREAS, Mr. Ray Brown has also been recognized for his leadership in cleaning a creek behind the 24 Hour Express Store located at 4007 Mt. Vernon Avenue, which was clogged by tires, bicycles, shopping carts, downed trees, debris and litter; and*

*WHEREAS, while this clean-up project was expected to be a long process with special permit, funding and staffing needs, under Mr. Ray Brown's direction, the job was assessed and completed within just two days. Mr. Brown had demonstrated an ability to work with multiple City agencies to improve the quality of life in Alexandria;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM D. EUILLE, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby proclaim that the CityStars! Award for the month of May, 2006 is bestowed on:*

**"RAY BROWN"**

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June 2006.*

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

*ATTEST:*

Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC                      *City Clerk*