

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria government is committed to its values of respect, responsibility, teamwork, communication, diversity and leadership and has instituted a City Stars! award to honor individual employees or groups of employees who exemplify the City's values; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to recognize Patricia Ferrao, Environmental Health Supervisor for the Health Department, who has worked for the City of Alexandria since March 9, 2005, for establishing a multi-faceted mosquito-borne illness surveillance and control program for the City; and

WHEREAS, Patricia always answers citizens questions regarding mosquito-borne illness prevention at various City festivals, creates interesting graphics to help disperse program information and develops stylish brochures, interesting handouts and various publications to educate children, citizens and other City departments; and

WHEREAS, Patricia sets an example for her staff by working with them in the office or biking through the streets and trails of the City. Her team is constantly out and about and can found working in areas like Jones Point Park and Daingerfield Island or on City streets treating catch basins. She stands behind and pushes her staff to excel; and

WHEREAS, Patricia energizes and motivates homeowners and residents at various community meetings by presenting them with program information and information on how they can work towards a mosquito-free back yard and home; and

WHEREAS, Patricia ensures program services are available to citizens who come from very diverse backgrounds. An example of this is her responding to all individuals who might have a complaint or a question about mosquitoes and ensuring everyone who interacts with the program gets a positive response;

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 a City Stars! Employee of the Month Award be bestowed on:

"PATRICIA FERRAO"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 14th day of November 2006.

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

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC City Clerk