

**PROCLAMATION**

*WHEREAS, the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities is celebrating the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of its annual "Cheerleader Competition" on April 19, 2008 at T.C. Williams High School in Alexandria, Virginia; and*

*WHEREAS, the Alexandria Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities, City residents, and the more than 300 cheerleaders representing recreation centers in the City consider the competition an important event; and*

*WHEREAS, the annual "Cheerleader Competition" affords Alexandria youths with an opportunity to engage in a non-traditional sport activity which promotes health and fitness, self discipline, teamwork and sportsmanship; and*

*WHEREAS, the Cheerleader Program introduces the value of physical fitness for every age, race, gender, and ability level; and*

*WHEREAS, the Cheerleader Program is a way to build strength, flexibility, coordination, self-esteem and goal setting abilities; and*

*WHEREAS, the Cheerleader Program is a catalyst for City youth to earn roster spots on high school and college cheerleader teams; and*

*WHEREAS, the annual "Cheerleader Competition" regularly attracts nearly 1,200 spectators to T.C. Williams High School to enjoy the event; and*

*WHEREAS, the new T.C. Williams High School gymnasium's increased capacity will provide the opportunity for additional spectators to attend the "Cheerleader Competition" on Saturday, April 19, 2008; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM D. EUILLE, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby thank the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities for its efforts in planning the event and wish much success to all of the cheerleaders that will be participating in the annual "Cheerleader Competition" on April 19, 2008.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April 2008.*

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

ATTEST:

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Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC      City Clerk