

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, public works services are an integral part of everyday life; and

WHEREAS, public works services represent the City's first line of defense in protecting the environment; and

WHEREAS, being located within the Chesapeake Watershed area and adjacent to the Potomac River, the treatment of water and sewage are an integral part of the health of our citizens, the ecology along the Potomac River and the water quality of the Potomac River; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety, and quality of life enjoyed in the community greatly depend on these services; and

WHEREAS, the quality and effectiveness of these services, as well as their planning, design, and construction, are vitally dependent upon the efforts and skills of public works employees; and

WHEREAS, efficiency of the qualified and dedicated personnel who staff public works departments is materially influenced by the community's attitude and understanding of the importance of the work they perform; and

WHEREAS, the support and understanding of an informed citizenry are vital to the efficient operation of public works systems and programs such as water, sewers, streets, transit, and recycling;

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 18 through 24, 2008 as:

"NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK"
"The Future is Now"

in the City of Alexandria, and do hereby call upon our citizens and civic organizations to acquaint themselves with the issues involved in providing our public works services and to recognize the contributions which public works employees make every day 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 13th day of May 2008.

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

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC City Clerk