

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 the Information Technology Services, Applications Team, including Patty Creel, Tareq Hassan, Bill Rogers, Nejat Sharifi, and Yolanda Boyd, for its innovative and timely implementation of the HR/Payroll System conversion and the document imaging application for a number of City departments; and

WHEREAS, the ITS Applications Team has moved the City forward technologically while at the same time saving the City over \$90,000 - \$100,000 annually in outside contractor and mainframe rental fees, \$80,000 - \$90,000 annually in office space expenses, and tens of thousands of dollars annually in employee time savings and mailing expenses; and

WHEREAS, the ITS Applications Team facilitated the conversion of the City's current mainframe human resources and payroll system to a web of Internet-based application without any loss of productive work time by City employees by maintaining the old system while converting to the new one; and

WHEREAS, they also, simultaneously, implemented multiple document imaging projects in 17 City departments by learning and installing the Laserfiche system, thereby allowing City departments to meet state mandates, to reduce the time for retrieval of documents from days to minutes, and to free up considerable office space in City Hall and other city-occupied buildings; and

WHEREAS, both these technology advancements were accomplished with no disruption to City services, in a timely manner, and at minimal cost to the City and its taxpayers;

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 CityStars! Award be bestowed on:

"PATTY CREEL, TAREQ HASSAN, BILL ROGERS, NEJAT SHARIFI, AND YOLANDA BOYD"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 11th day of September 2007.

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

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC City Clerk