

**PROCLAMATION**

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

*WHEREAS, the City wishes to recognize Chief Deputy Timothy T. Gleeson for his outstanding work in both the Alexandria Police Department and the Alexandria Sheriff's Office; and*

*WHEREAS, Chief Deputy Sheriff Gleeson enjoyed a highly successful career at the Alexandria Police Department, first as a patrol officer and then as an instructor at the Northern Virginia Criminal Justice Academy where he taught new recruits; and*

*WHEREAS, Chief Deputy Sheriff Gleeson later distinguished himself as a police detective in the Criminal Investigation Section, where he served many years investigating crimes against children and earned Officer of the Year honors for his dedicated work; and*

*WHEREAS, when Chief Deputy Sheriff Gleeson joined the Alexandria Sheriff's Office after serving the City of Alexandria as a Police Officer for over 25 years, he brought with him a vision and a dedication to bring both divisions together in a more cohesive working relationship; and*

*WHEREAS, in his position as Commander of Special Operations, he assisted in forming The Alexandria Sheriff's Association and in finalizing a Sheriff's Emergency Response Team, and as a result, the citizens of Alexandria are receiving the benefits of agencies working diligently together as members of the Public Safety sector, not only locally, but rather as multi-jurisdictional public servants; and*

*WHEREAS, on April 16, 2007, a tragedy occurred on the Virginia Tech campus. A lone gunman took the lives of 32 students and inflicted injury on another 25 before ending his life. On the night of April 16, 2007, Tim received a call from the student body leadership requesting assistance in locating 10,000 candles. That night, he called friends, neighbors, and local churches asking for help. He then proceeded to collect candles from these contacts. On the morning of April 17, 2007, he made multiple inquiries to local businesses throughout the area. Ultimately finding three stores with candle inventories and personally purchased their entire stock. Later that day, fatigued and sleep deprived, Tim set out on a four hour journey from Alexandria to Blacksburg, to personally deliver 10,000 candles to the Virginia Tech student body as requested; and*

*WHEREAS, the efforts Tim put forth reflect compassion and unselfishness to the highest degree, it is clear that Chief Deputy Sheriff Tim Gleeson is an ambassador for the City of Alexandria and is representative of our City employees;*

*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! Employee of the Month Award is bestowed on:*

**"CHIEF DEPUTY SHERIFF TIMOTHY T. GLEESON"**

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2008.*

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

ATTEST:

Jacqueline M. Henderson, CMC City Clerk