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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 Donald Harrison-Wright, the Office Administrator in the Office of the Commonwealth's Attorney for his dedication, teamwork, leadership and exemplary character; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Harrison-Wright began his career as an intern from T.C. Williams High School; after graduating from high school he was hired in the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office on January 21, 1997, and was subsequently promoted several times before becoming the Office Administrator; and

WHEREAS, in his job as the Office Administrator, Mr. Harrison-Wright is a leader who shares his insight and depth of commitment to the City and is an inspiration to all who know him; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Harrison-Wright, has single-handedly been the architect of the budget submissions and complicated grant administration for his office in a manner which reflects fiscal restraint, attention to detail, and sound priorities, and in addition to his regular duties, he serves on the City Financial Management Group, a City-wide body which discusses important issues related to the budget process; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Harrison-Wright never hesitates to tackle tough challenges that would overwhelm others; he has undertaken preparation and filing of dozens of legal pleadings seeking arrest and enforcement of probation and parole supervision conditions for offenders who would otherwise remain on the street; he manages criminal dockets for all three courts; and

WHEREAS, his contributions result in substantial revenue for the City in monthly remissions of fines and costs; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Harrison-Wright embodies the spirit of public service, exemplifying teamwork, leadership, respect and unyielding dedication to the City;

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:

"DONALD HARRISON-WRIGHT"

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 October 2008.

WILLIAM D. EUILLE MAYOR

On behalf of the City Council of Alexandria, Virginia

ATTEST: