WHEREAS, the Alexandria Historical Society recognizes individuals and organizations who have made a difference in the research, preservation, and interpretation of Alexandria's History through its awards program; and this year it is fitting to acknowledge three such individuals whose bodies of work deserve acknowledgement and accolades, and they shall be listed accordingly; and

**WHEREAS,** Dr. Abby Schreiber, through her research on the history of the Alexandria Waterfront, has enriched the city's understanding of this key location and provided valuable information for future flood mitigation efforts; and

**WHEREAS,** John H. Sprinkle, Ph.D., through his service on the Alexandria Historical Restoration and Preservation Commission, the Board of Architectural Review, Historical Alexandria Foundation, and the Alexandria Historical Society, and through his work as a historian for the National Park Service has advanced the cause of preservation and enhanced our understanding of the history of the preservation movement; and

WHEREAS, Amy Bertsch, through her research work for the City of Alexandria, and her past work for the Alexandria Historical Society has enriched the city's understanding of many aspects of its history; and

WHEREAS, the T. Michael Miller Award and the Special Merit Award are given to organizations and individuals who have made a difference in the preservation, research, and interpretation of the city's vast, dynamic, and complex history.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, JUSTIN M. WILSON,** Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby honor:

## "DR. ABBY SCHREIBER as the 2024 recipient of the Alexandria Historical Society Special Merit Award; and JOHN SPRINKLE, PhD, and AMY BERTSCH as the 2024 recipients of the T. Michael Miller Award"

in the City of Alexandria and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024.* 

MAYOR JUSTIN M. WILSON On behalf of the City Council of Alexandria, Virginia

ATTEST: